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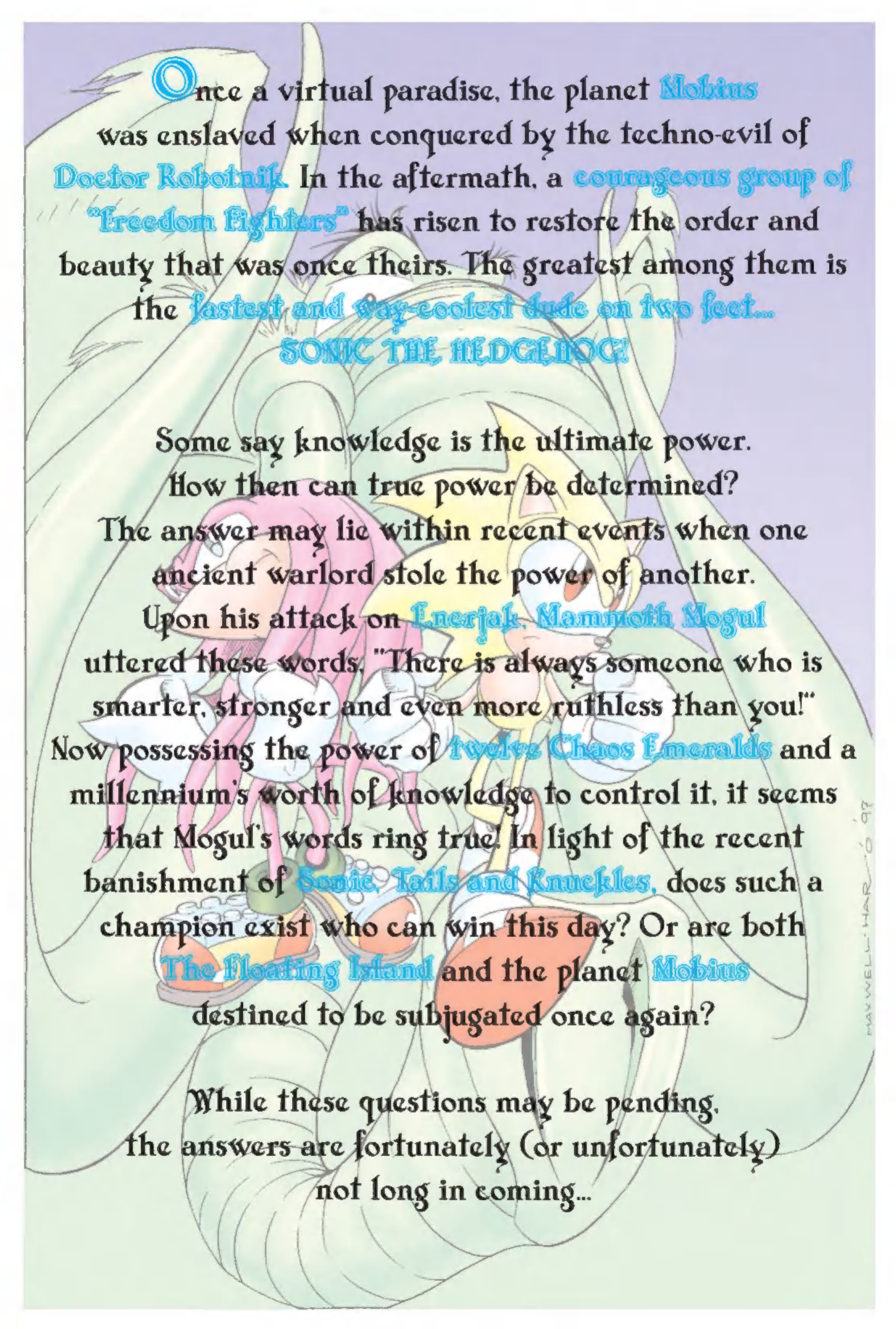
SONIC

THE HEDGEHOG

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A background illustration featuring Sonic the Hedgehog, Tails the Fox, and Knuckles the Echidna. Sonic is in the center, looking forward with a determined expression. Tails is on the left, and Knuckles is on the right. They are all wearing their signature gear. The background is a light purple and green gradient with some abstract shapes.

Once a virtual paradise, the planet Mobius was enslaved when conquered by the techno-evil of Doctor Robotnik. In the aftermath, a courageous group of "Freedom Fighters" has risen to restore the order and beauty that was once theirs. The greatest among them is the fastest and way-coolest dude on two feet...
SONIC THE HEDGEHOG!

Some say knowledge is the ultimate power.

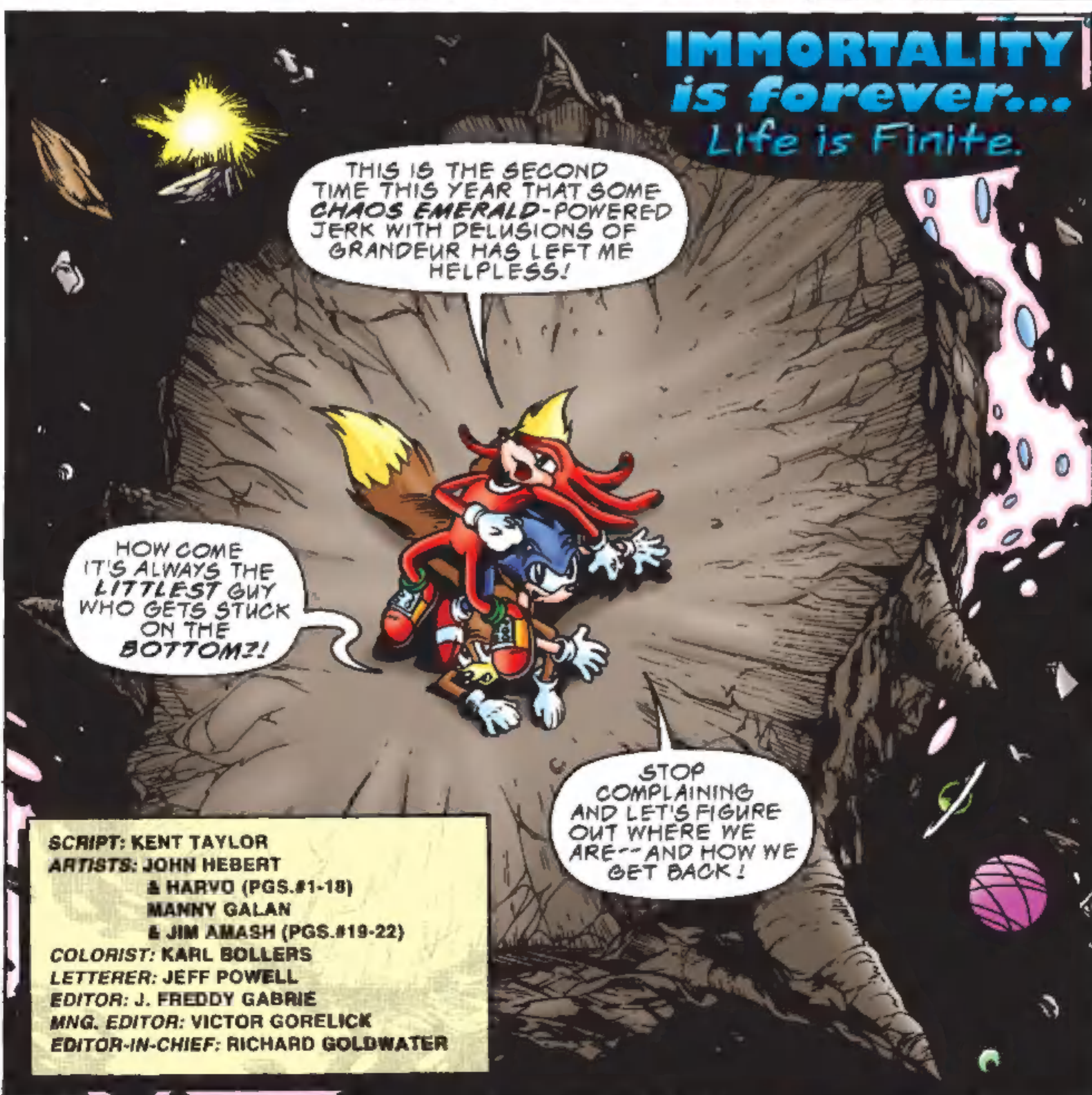
How then can true power be determined?

The answer may lie within recent events when one ancient warlord stole the power of another.

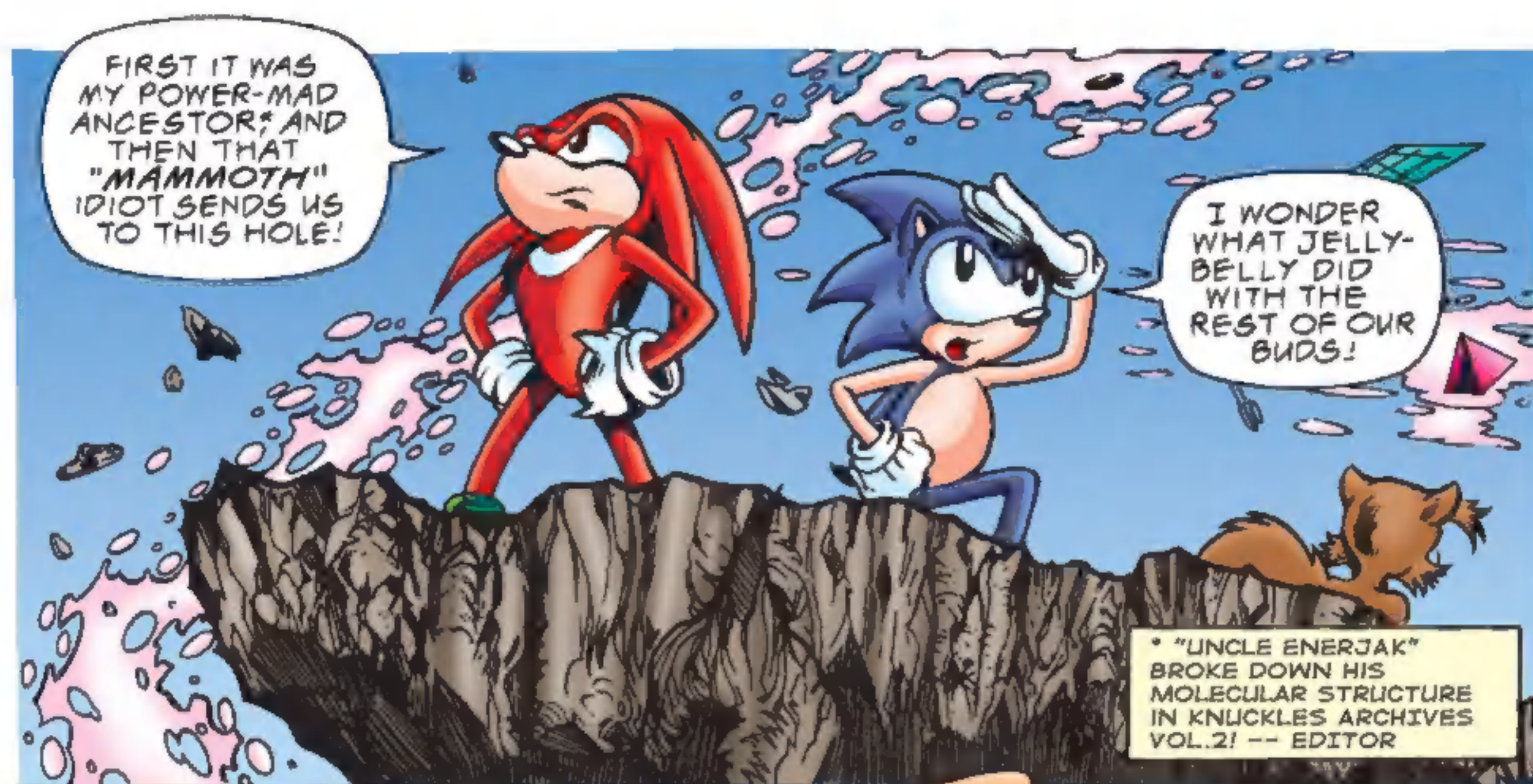
Upon his attack on Enerjak, Mammoth Mogul uttered these words, "There is always someone who is smarter, stronger and even more ruthless than you!"

Now possessing the power of twelve Chaos Emeralds and a millennium's worth of knowledge to control it, it seems that Mogul's words ring true! In light of the recent banishment of Sonic, Tails and Knuckles, does such a champion exist who can win this day? Or are both The Floating Island and the planet Mobius destined to be subjugated once again?

While these questions may be pending, the answers are fortunately (or unfortunately) not long in coming...



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FIRST IT WAS MY POWER-MAD ANCESTOR, AND THEN THAT "MAMMOTH" IDIOT SENDS US TO THIS HOLE!

I WONDER WHAT JELLY-BELLY DID WITH THE REST OF OUR BUDS!

* "UNCLE ENERJAK" BROKE DOWN HIS MOLECULAR STRUCTURE IN KNUCKLES ARCHIVES VOL.2! -- EDITOR



WHAT THE?! SOME KINDA ROCK QUAKE?

SONIC! I THINK THE ROCK'S ALIVE!

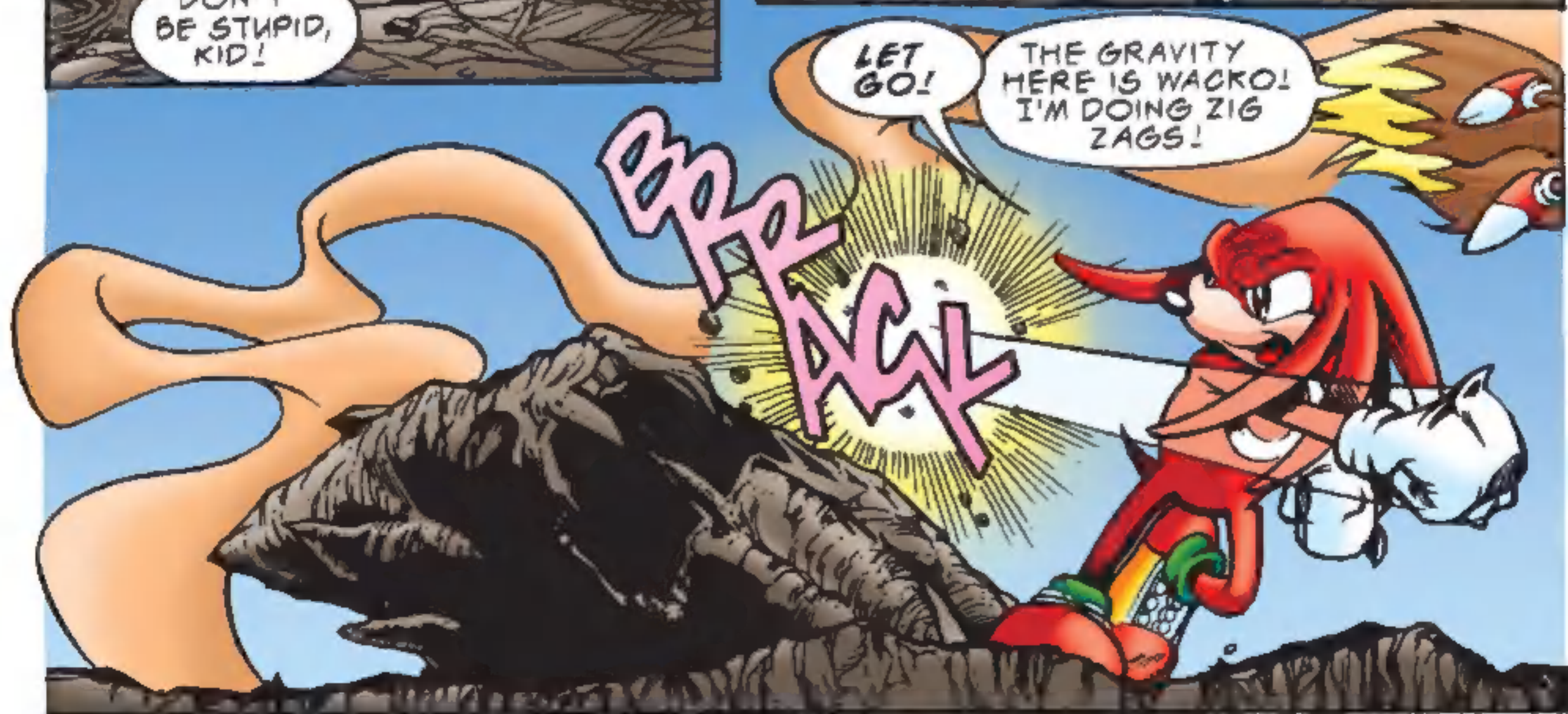
DON'T BE STUPID, KID!



NO, WAIT! HE'S RIGHT! LOOKOUT!

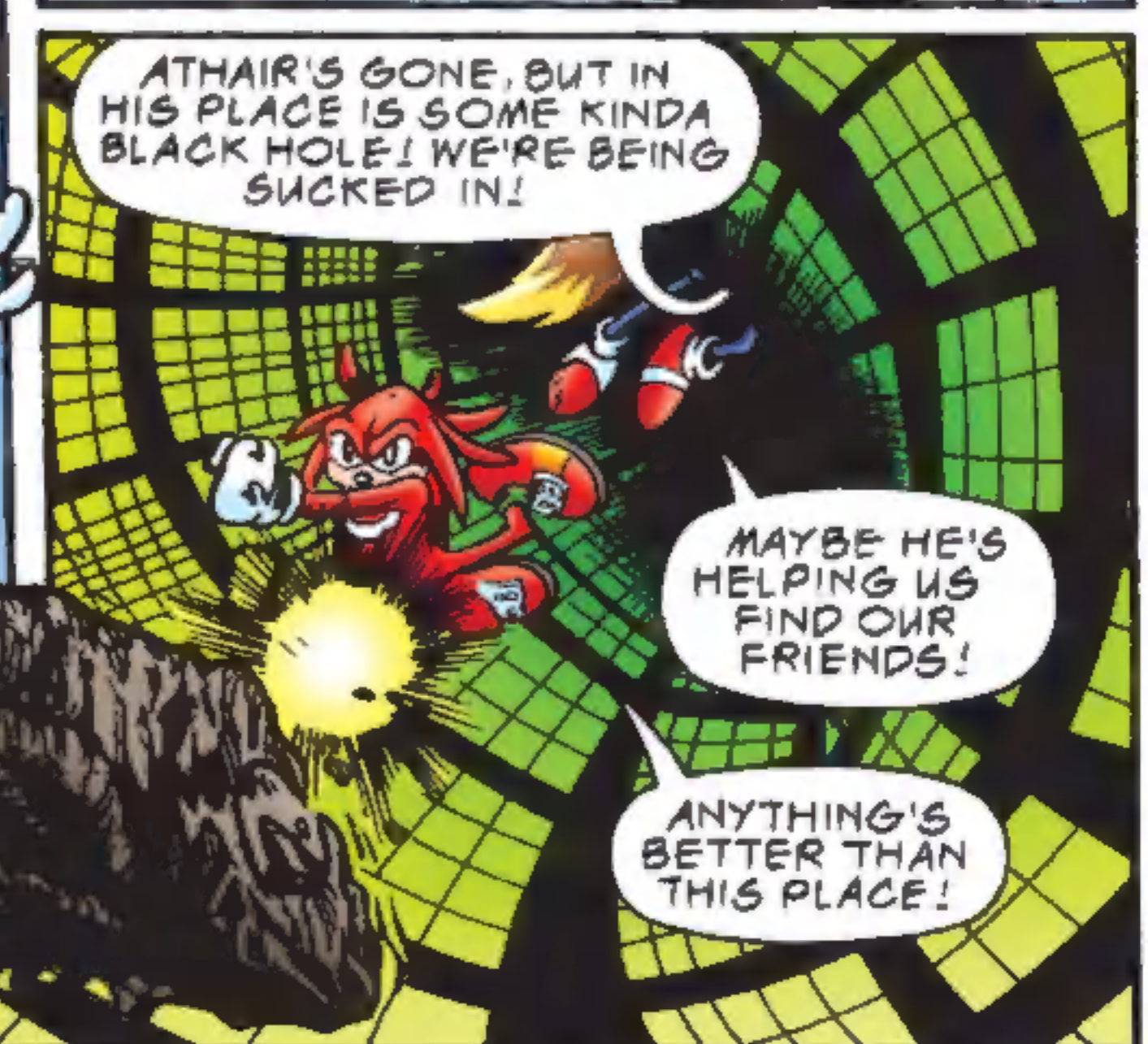
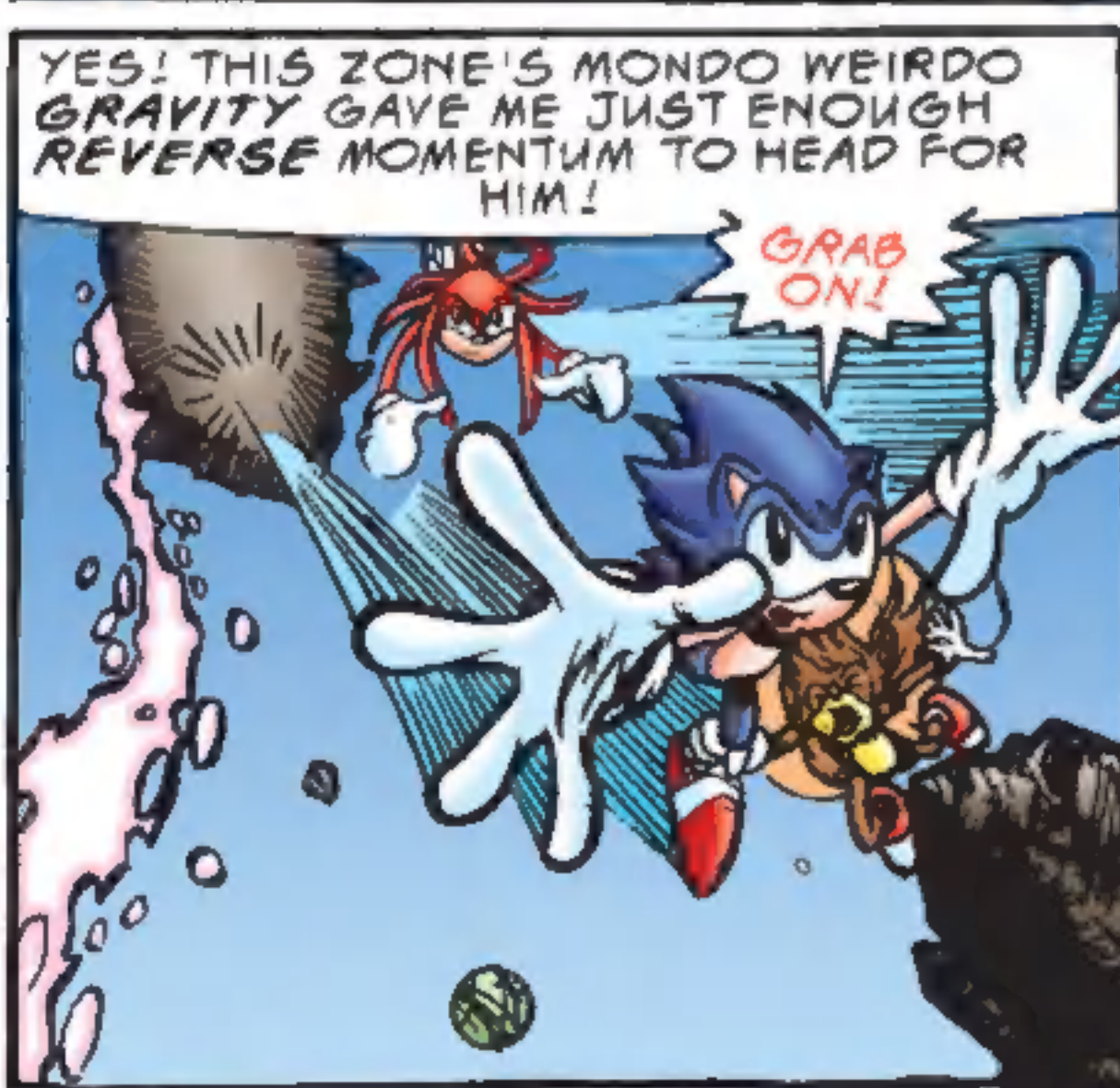
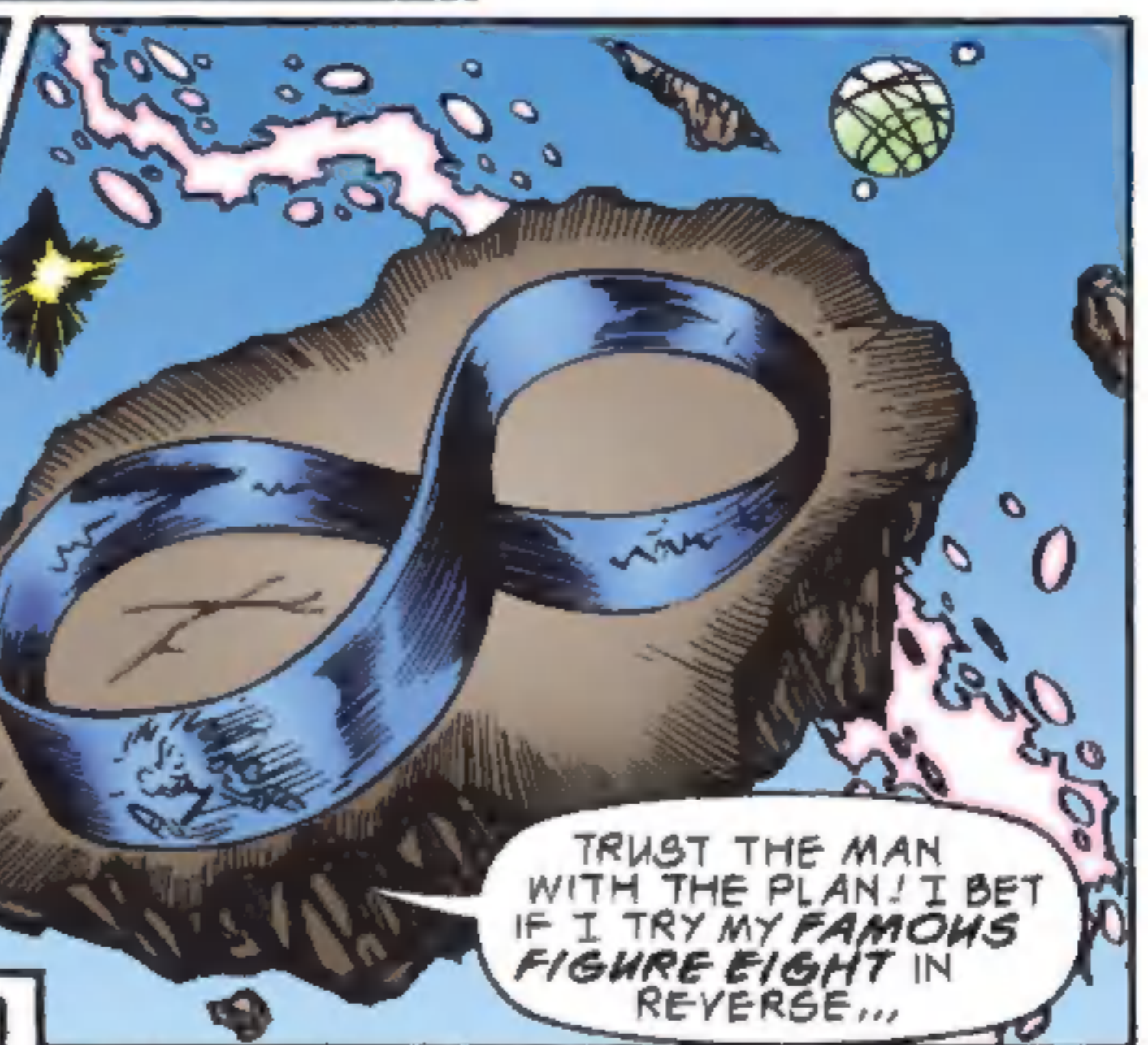
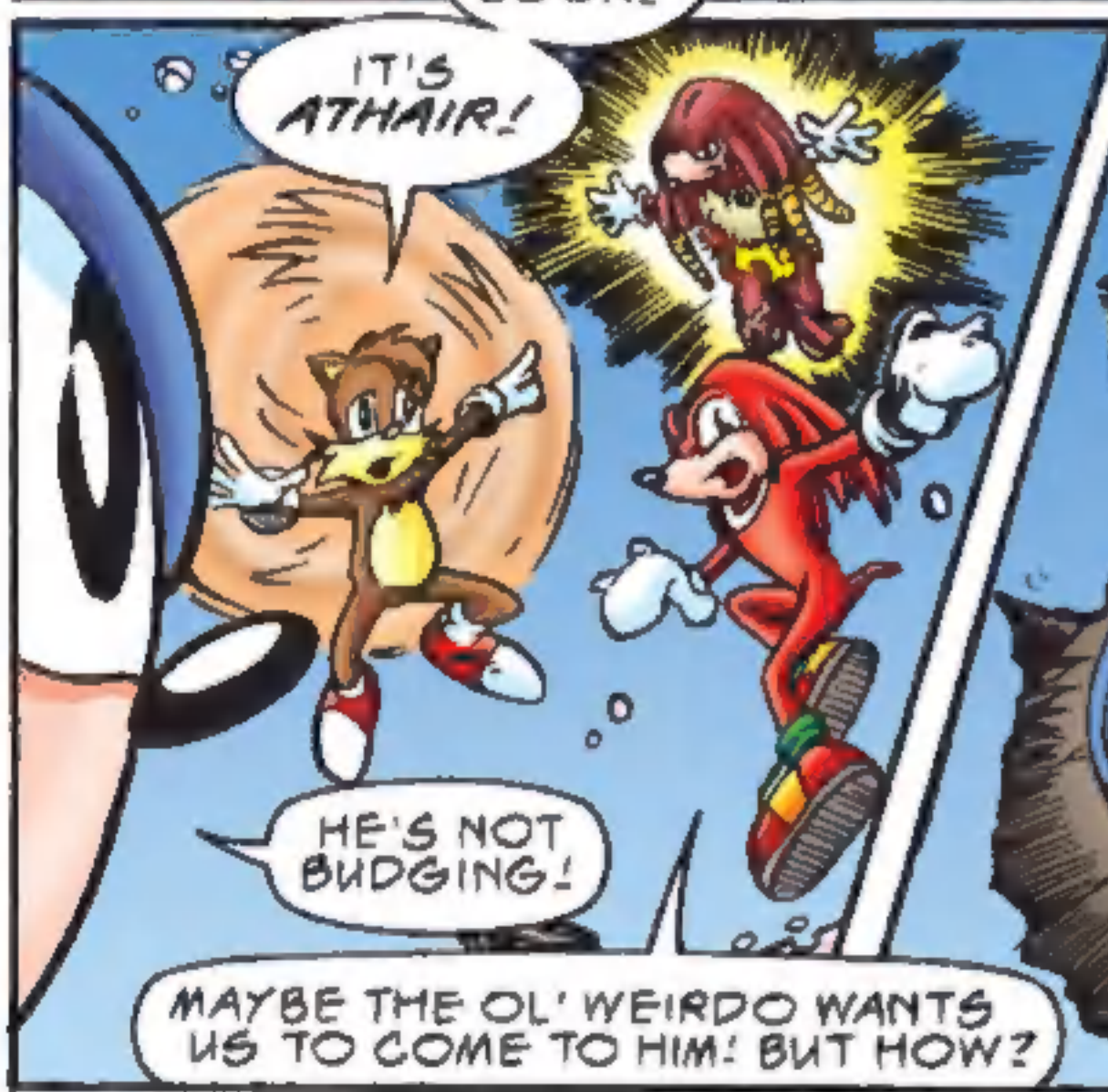
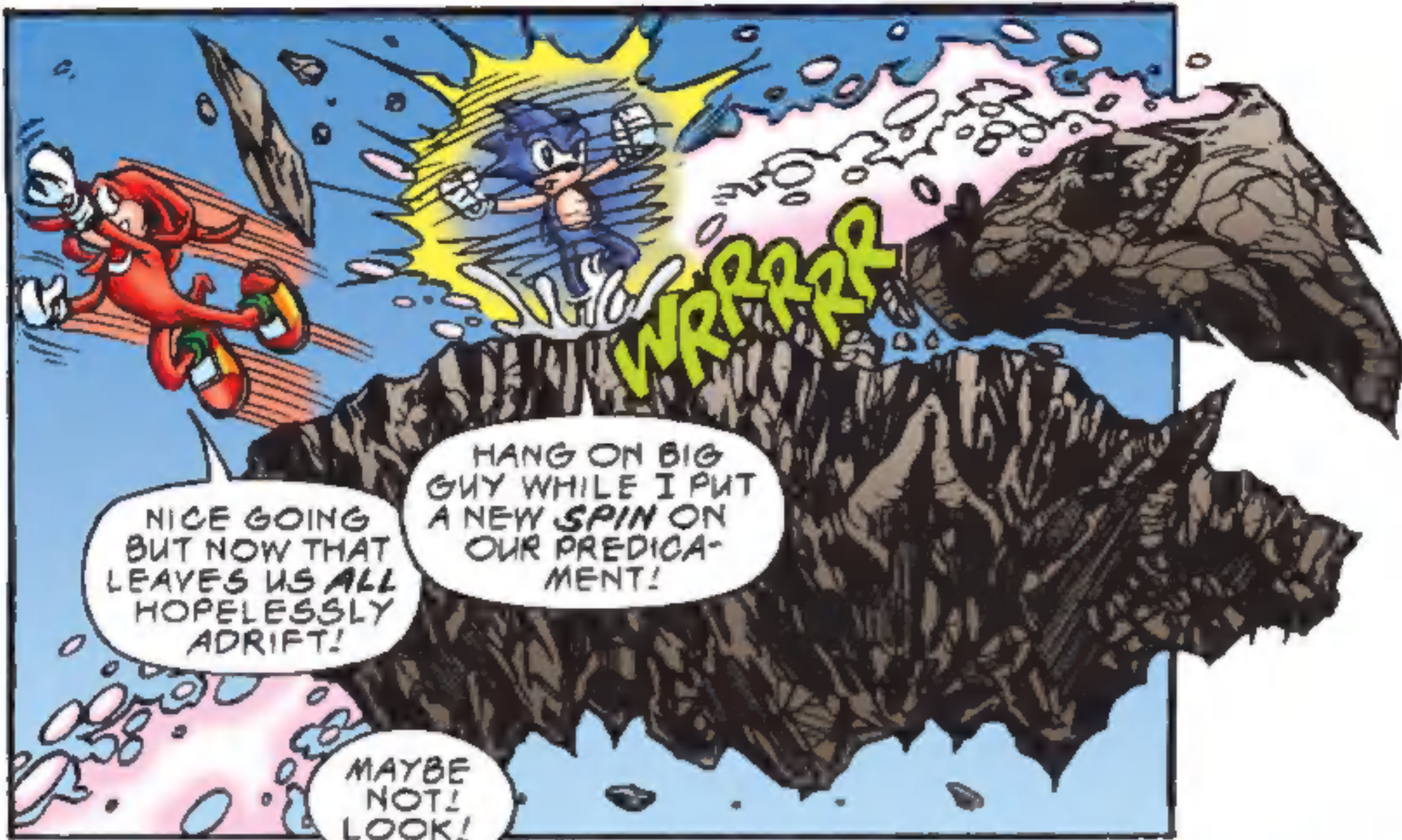
AGH! IT'S GOT ME!

DON'T WORRY! I'LL PULL YOU FREE!

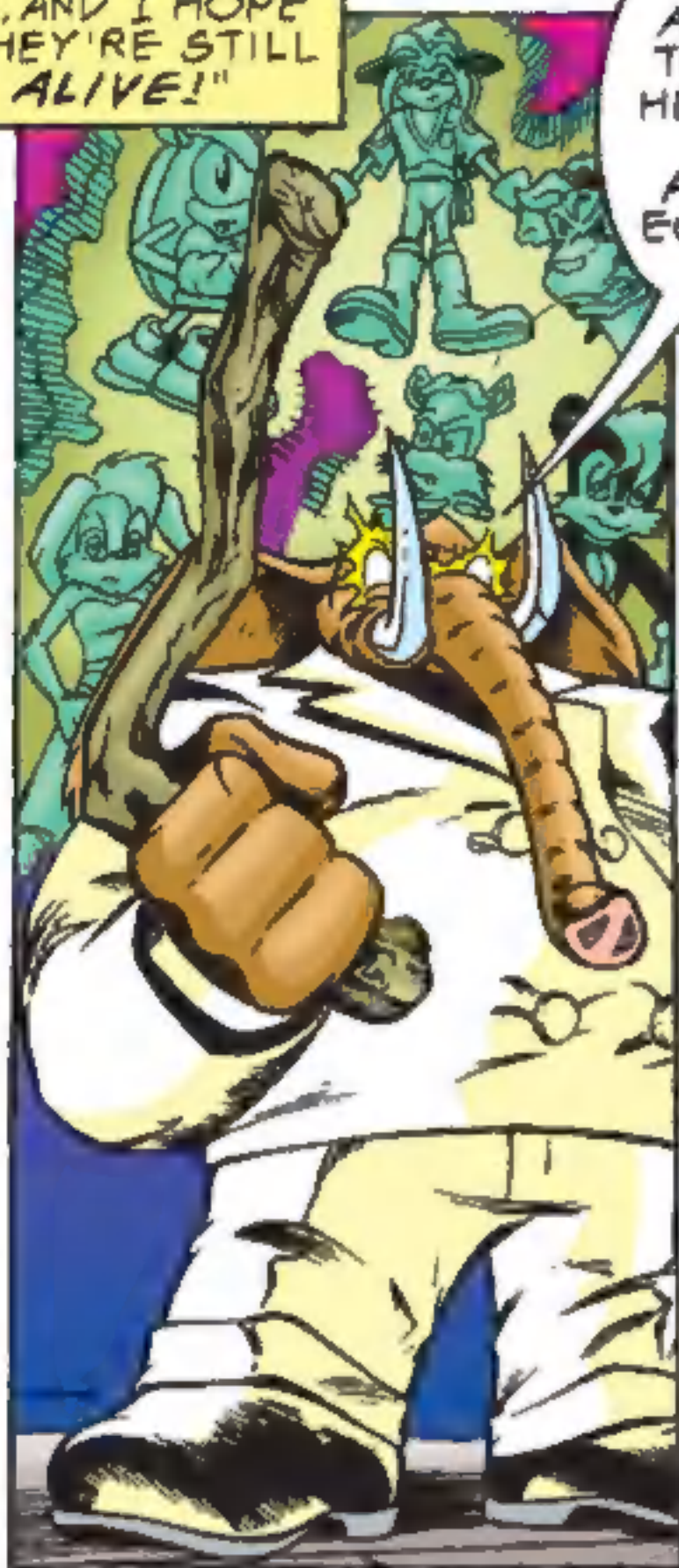


LET GO!

THE GRAVITY HERE IS WACKO! I'M DOING ZIG ZAGS!



"...AND I HOPE
THEY'RE STILL
ALIVE!"



I ALMOST
ADMIRE THEM...
THESE "SO-CALLED"
HEROES TRULY BE-
LIEVED THEIR
ABILITIES THE
EQUAL OF THEIR
COURAGE!

COURAGE!
AGAINST UNLIMITED
POWER! POWER TO
MAKE ME MASTER
MOGUL!

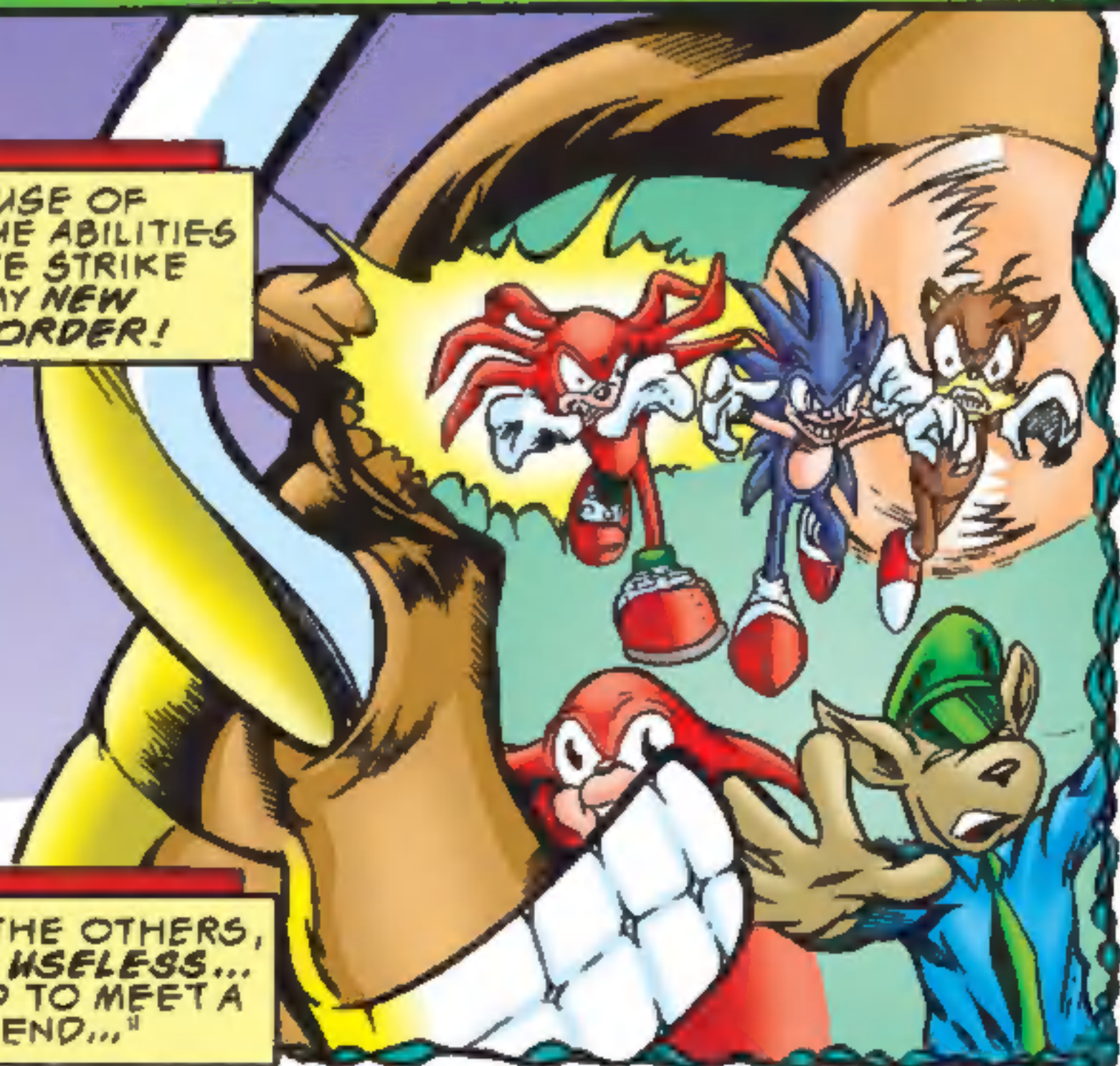


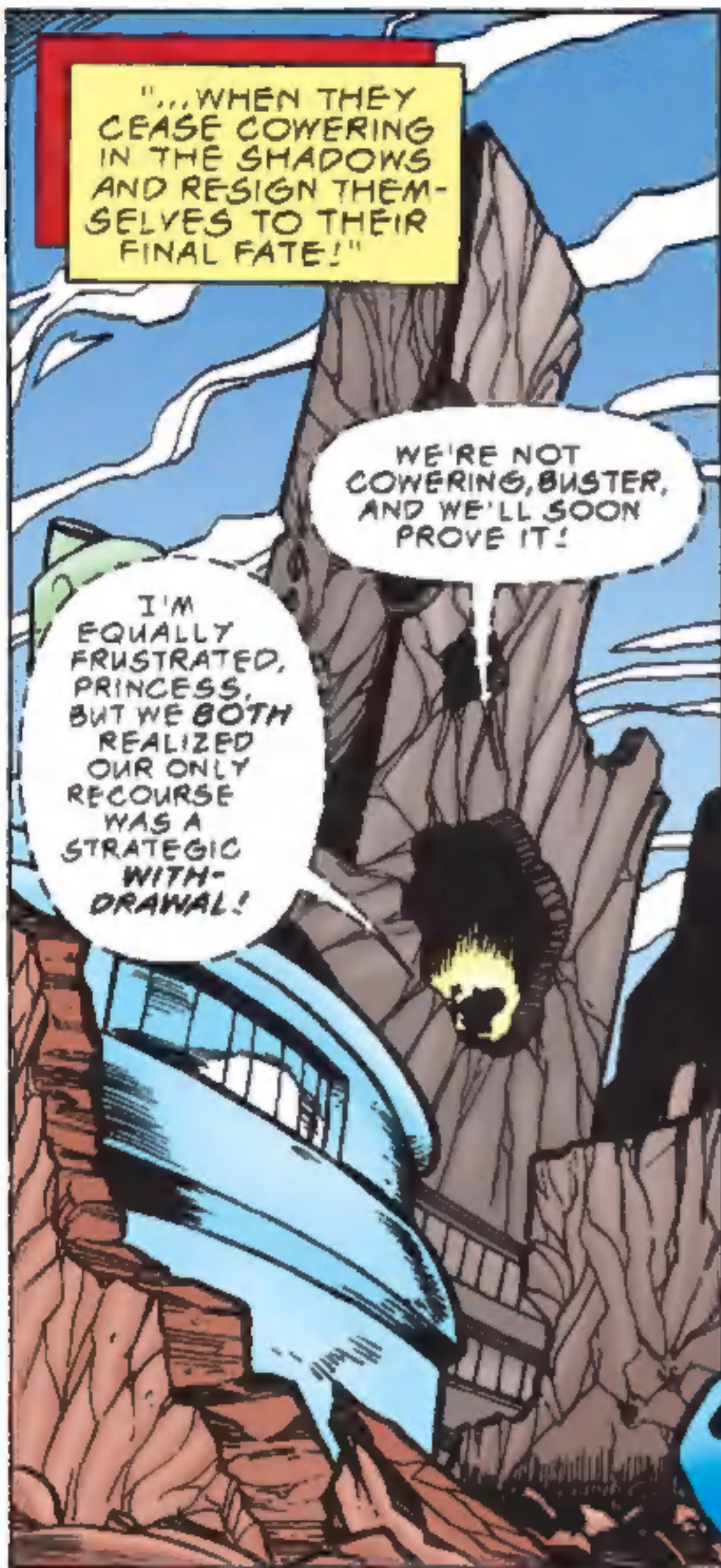
THE *THREE*
WHO MAY HAVE
POSED A THREAT
HAVE BEEN
BANISHED, HOPE-
LESSLY LOST
UNTIL I RETRIEVE
THEM...



"...MAKING USE OF
THEIR UNIQUE ABILITIES
AS THE ELITE STRIKE
FORCE OF MY NEW
WORLD ORDER!"

"AS FOR THE OTHERS,
THEY ARE *USELESS*...
DESTINED TO MEET A
SWIFT END..."

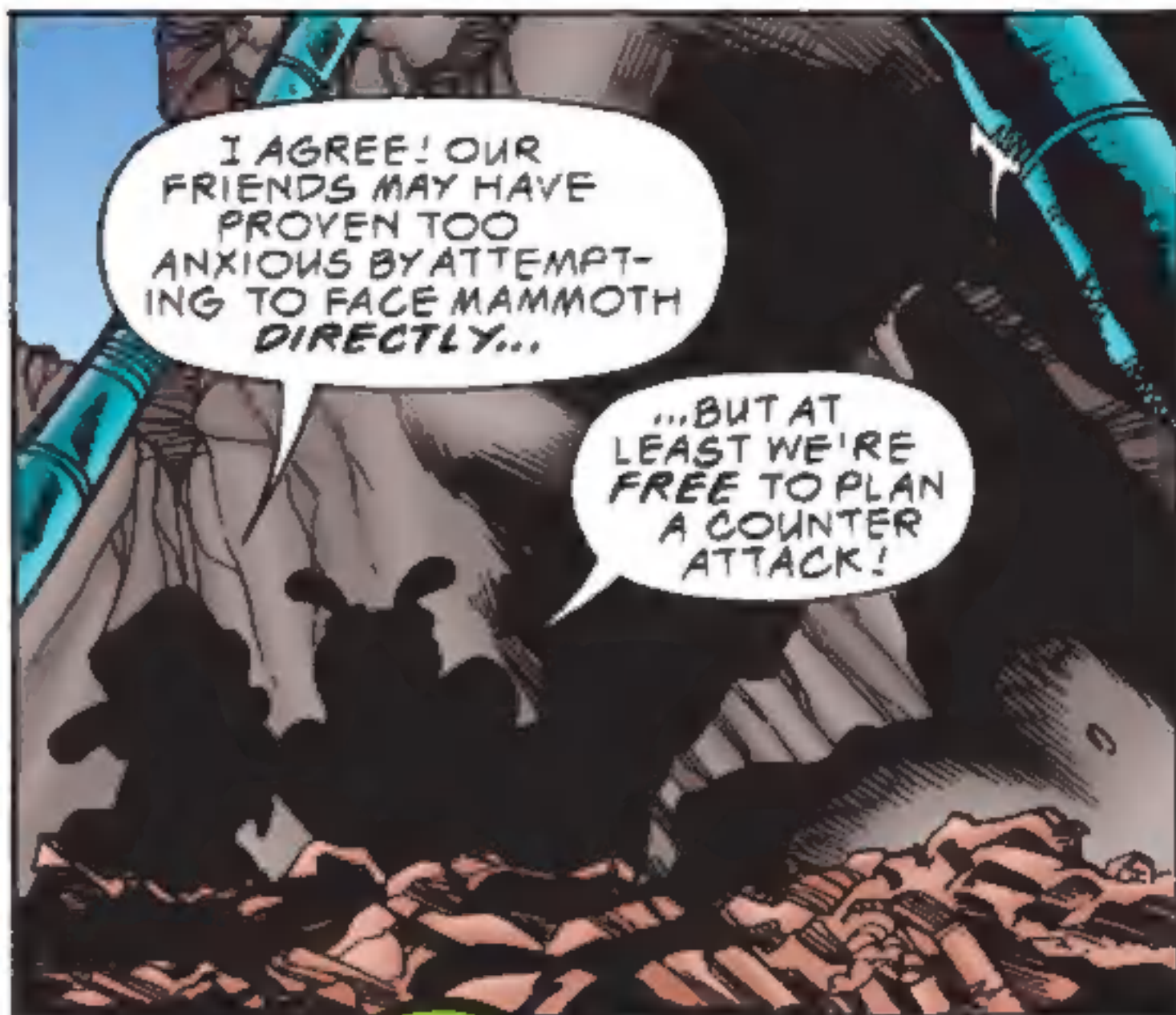




"...WHEN THEY
CEASE COWERING
IN THE SHADOWS
AND RESIGN THEM-
SELVES TO THEIR
FINAL FATE!"

WE'RE NOT
COWERING, BUSTER,
AND WE'LL SOON
PROVE IT!

I'M
EQUALLY
FRUSTRATED,
PRINCESS,
BUT WE BOTH
REALIZED
OUR ONLY
RECOURSE
WAS A
STRATEGIC
WITH-
DRAWAL!



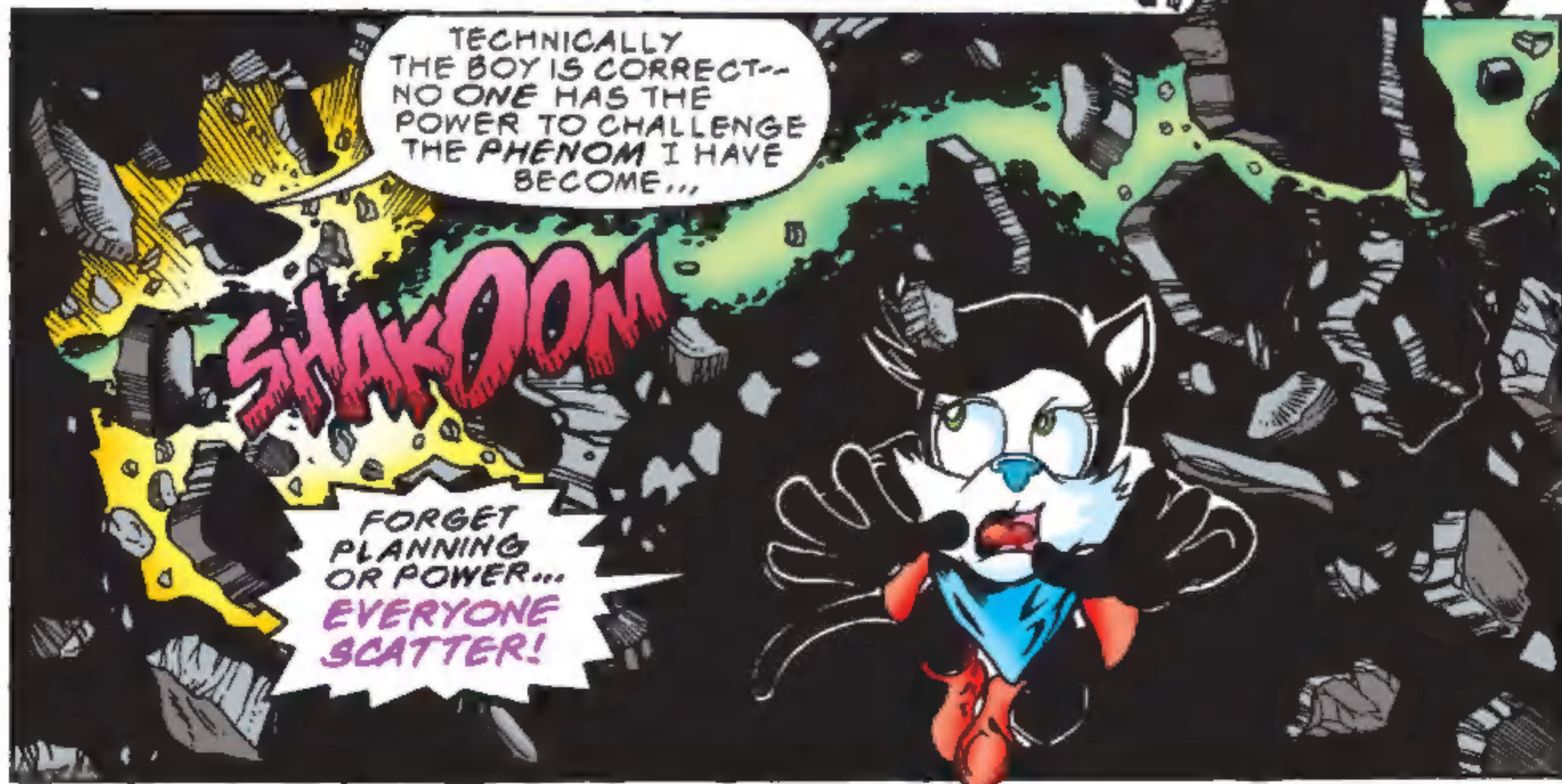
I AGREE! OUR
FRIENDS MAY HAVE
PROVEN TOO
ANXIOUS BY ATTEMPT-
ING TO FACE MAMMOTH
DIRECTLY...

...BUT AT
LEAST WE'RE
FREE TO PLAN
A COUNTER
ATTACK!



A PLAN ISN'T
NEEDED, IT'S POWER!
AND NO ONE HAS
THE POWER TO
STOP MOGUL!

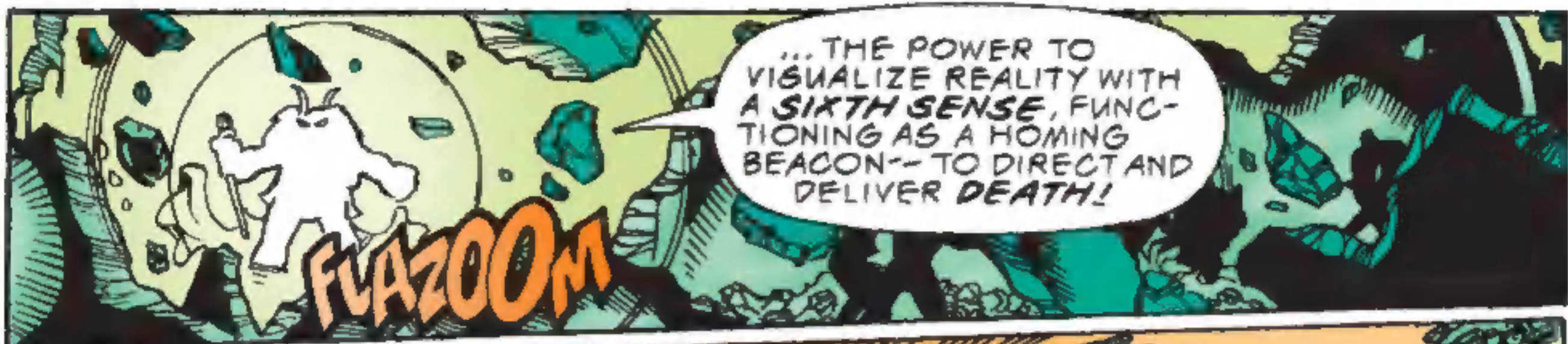
DON'T BE TOO
SURE! THIS UNIVERSE
PLAYS HOST TO PHE-
NOMENA A YOUNG
BOY LIKE YOU COULD
SCARCELY IMAGINE!



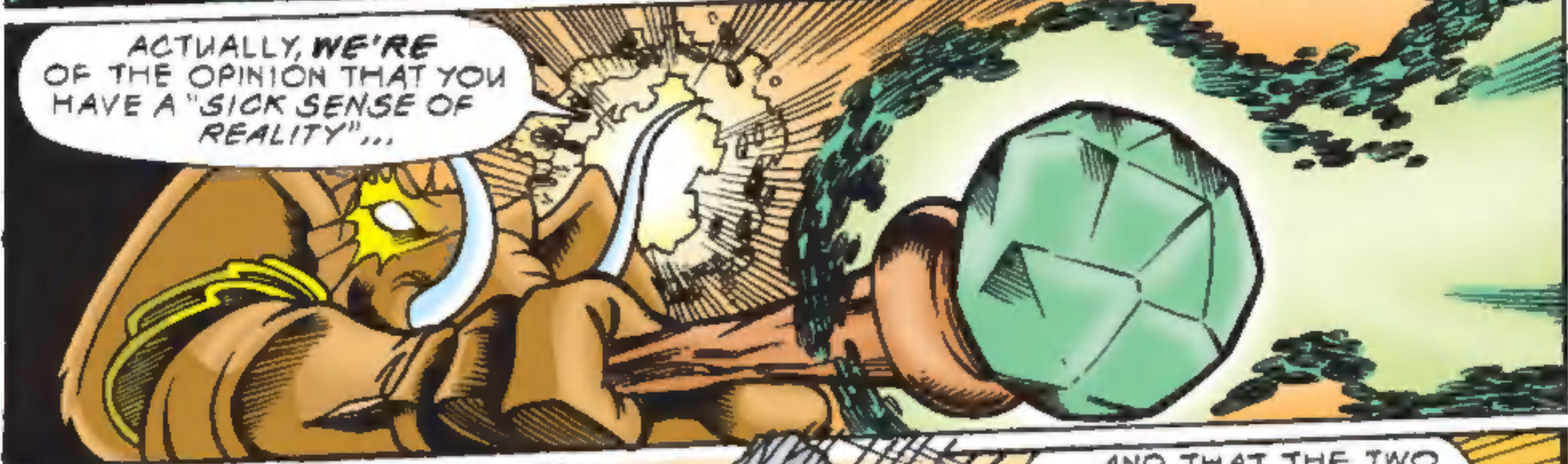
TECHNICALLY
THE BOY IS CORRECT--
NO ONE HAS THE
POWER TO CHALLENGE
THE PHENOM I HAVE
BECOME...

SHAKOOM

FORGET
PLANNING
OR POWER...
**EVERYONE
SCATTER!**



... THE POWER TO
VISUALIZE REALITY WITH
A **SIXTH SENSE**, FUNC-
TIONING AS A HOMING
BEACON-- TO DIRECT AND
DELIVER **DEATH!**

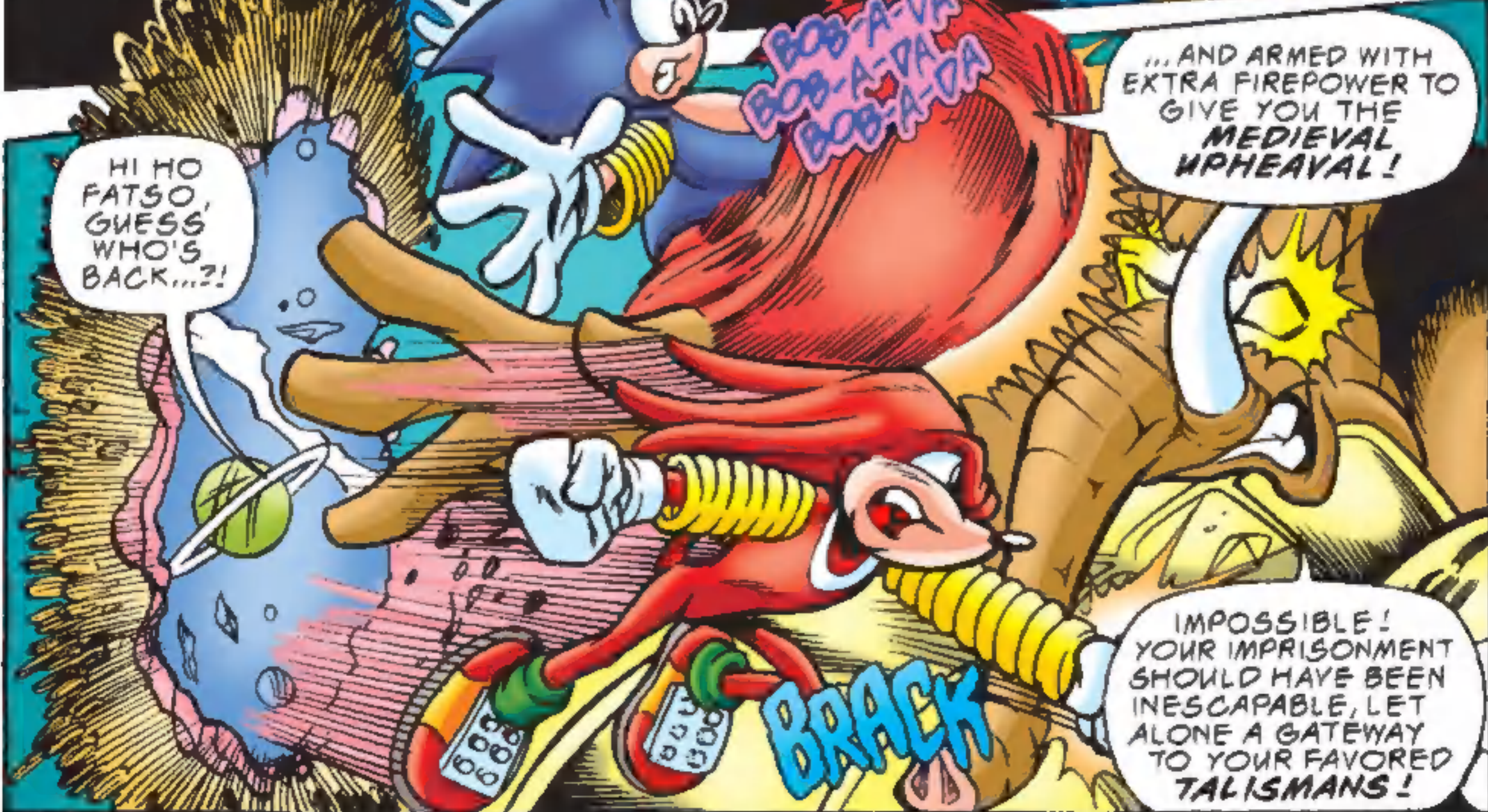


ACTUALLY, WE'RE
OF THE OPINION THAT YOU
HAVE A "**SICK SENSE OF
REALITY**"...



... AND THAT THE TWO
OF US ARE NEEDED TO
KNOCK SOME **SENSE**
INTO YOU!

RIGHT NOW, I'M BETTING
HE WISHES WE KEPT OUR
TWO CENTS TO OURSELVES!



HI HO
FATSO,
GUESS
WHO'S
BACK...?!

BOB-A-DA
BOB-A-DA
BOB-A-DA

... AND ARMED WITH
EXTRA FIREPOWER TO
GIVE YOU THE
**MEDIEVAL
UPHEAVAL!**

IMPOSSIBLE!
YOUR IMPRISONMENT
SHOULD HAVE BEEN
INESCAPABLE, LET
ALONE A GATEWAY
TO YOUR FAVORED
TALISMANS!

BRACK

SMALL CONSEQUENCE. *SUPPOSEDLY*, THE BIO-ENHANCEMENT OF POWER RINGS PALES WHEN COMPARED TO CHAOS EMERALDS.

UGH! I THINK HE MAY BE RIGHT!

UGH! THAT REMAINS TO BE SEEN

ZARK

WHAT?!! THEY SEEM TO BATHE IN MY ENERGY, ALMOST ABSORB IT LIKE I DID DIMITRI'S!

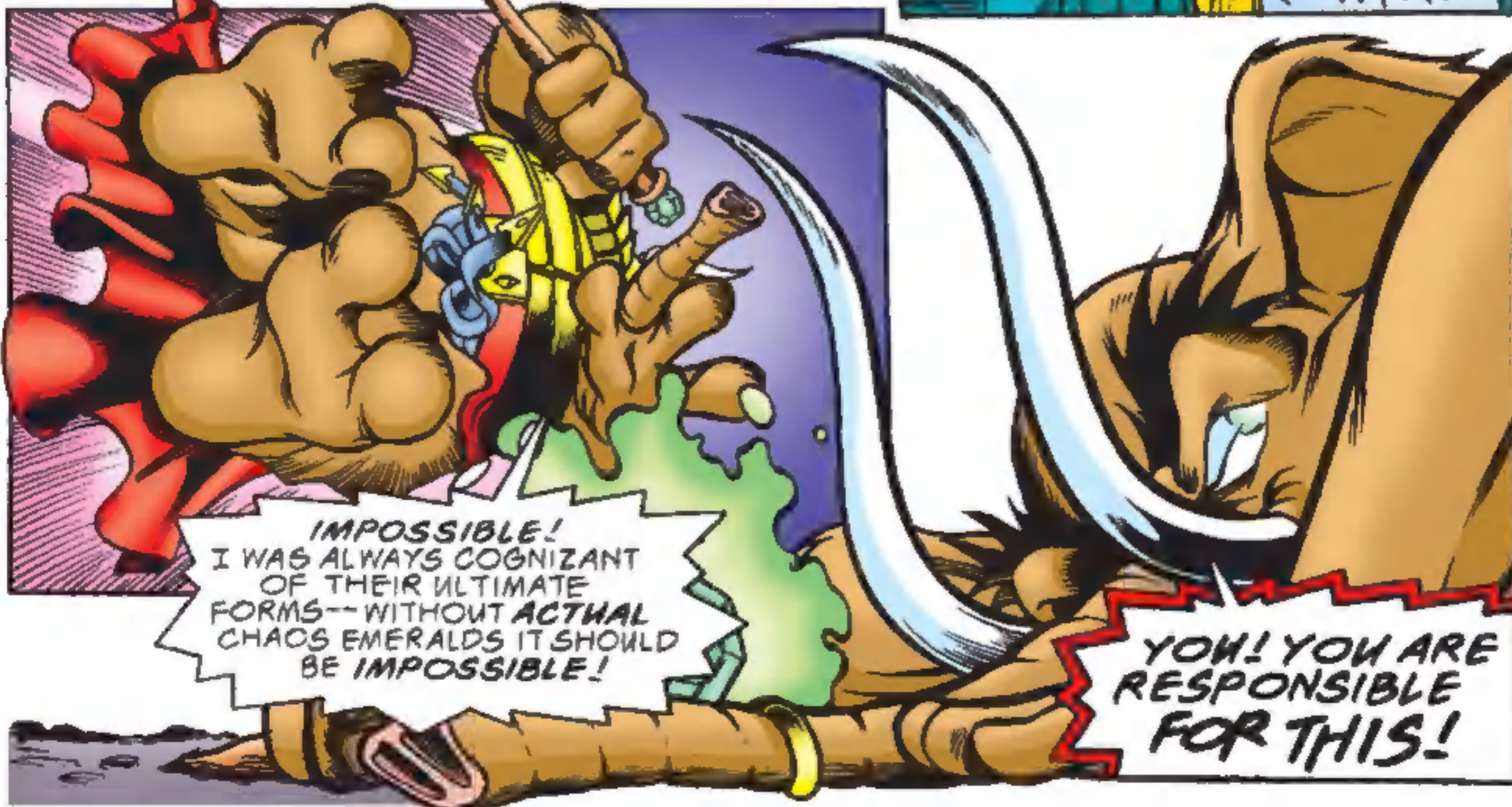
...BUT THIS TIME IT WILL BE FROM THE MORTAL PLANE!

SONIC! KNUCKLES! **NO!**

THAT'S RIGHT! NOW WE FINALLY UNDERSTAND THE **REAL** REASON WE LUGGED BACK THESE POWER RINGS!

YUP! **FIFTY** POWER RINGS EACH, COMBINED WITH YOUR ENERGY OF **TWELVE CHAOS EMERALDS** IS MORE THAN ENOUGH POWER TO HERALD THE TRIUMPHANT RETURN OF...

REGARDLESS OF HOW YOU OBTAINED THE RINGS AND RETURNED TO THIS PLANE, BY MY WILL, YOU ONCE AGAIN **DEPART...**



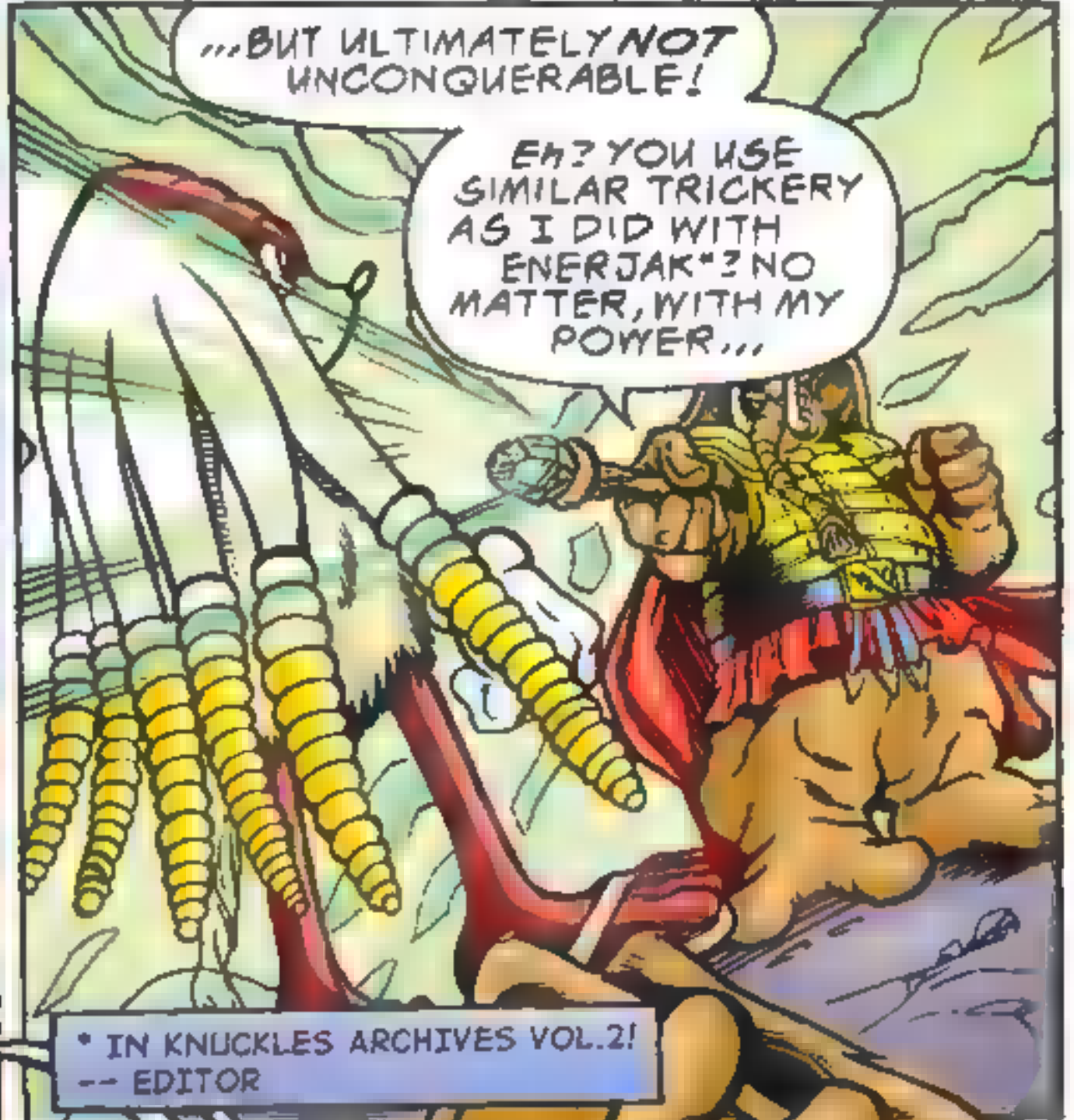
IMPOSSIBLE!
I WAS ALWAYS COGNIZANT
OF THEIR ULTIMATE
FORMS-- WITHOUT ACTUAL
CHAOS EMERALDS IT SHOULD
BE IMPOSSIBLE!

YOU! YOU ARE
RESPONSIBLE
FOR THIS!



YOUR INTERFERENCE
ENABLED THEIR METAMOR-
PHOSIS!

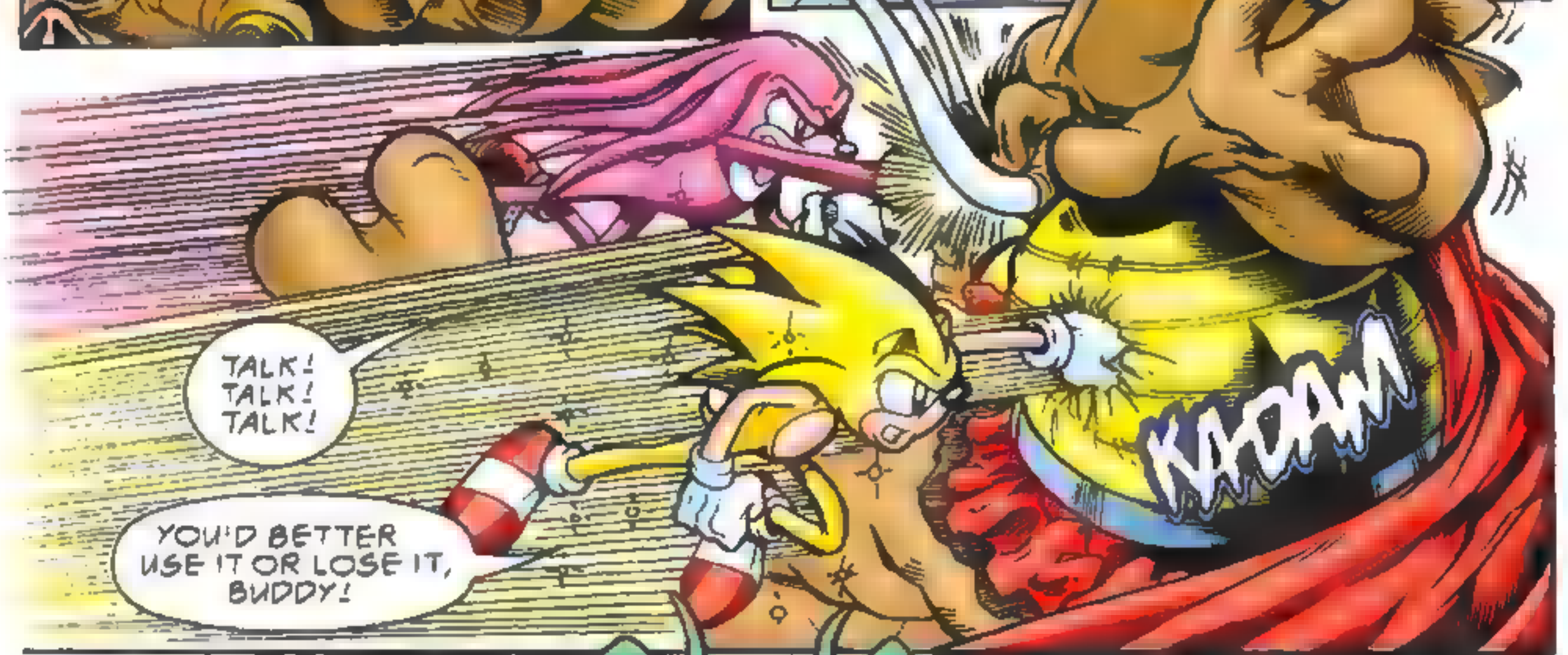
YOU ALWAYS HAVE
BEEN THE **UNKNOWN**
PROBABILITY FACTOR
IN MY PLANS...
UNFATHOMABLE...
UNCONTROLLABLE...



...BUT ULTIMATELY **NOT**
UNCONQUERABLE!

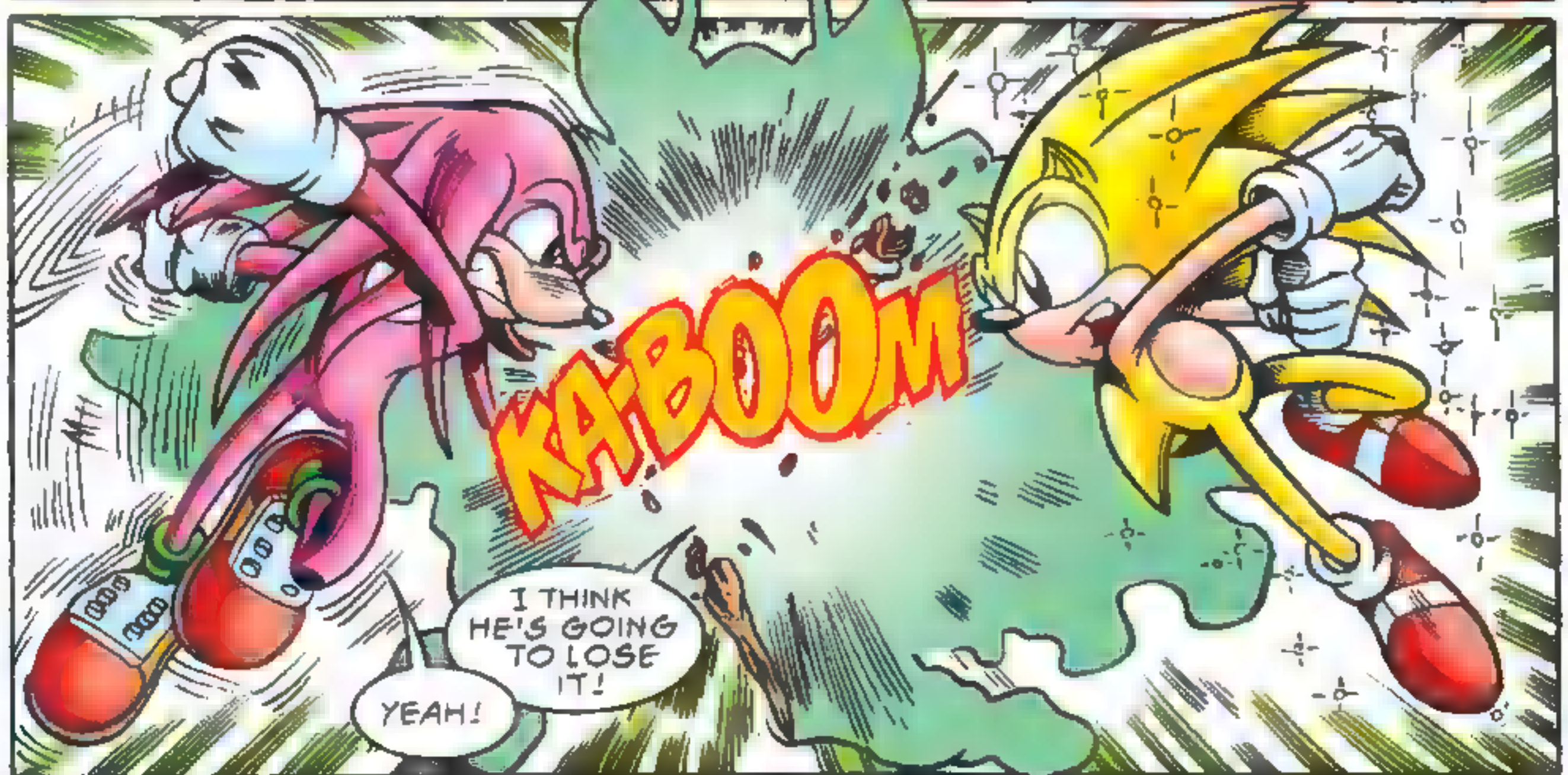
EH? YOU USE
SIMILAR TRICKERY
AS I DID WITH
ENERJAK? NO
MATTER, WITH MY
POWER...

* IN KNUCKLES ARCHIVES VOL.2!
-- EDITOR



TALK!
TALK!
TALK!

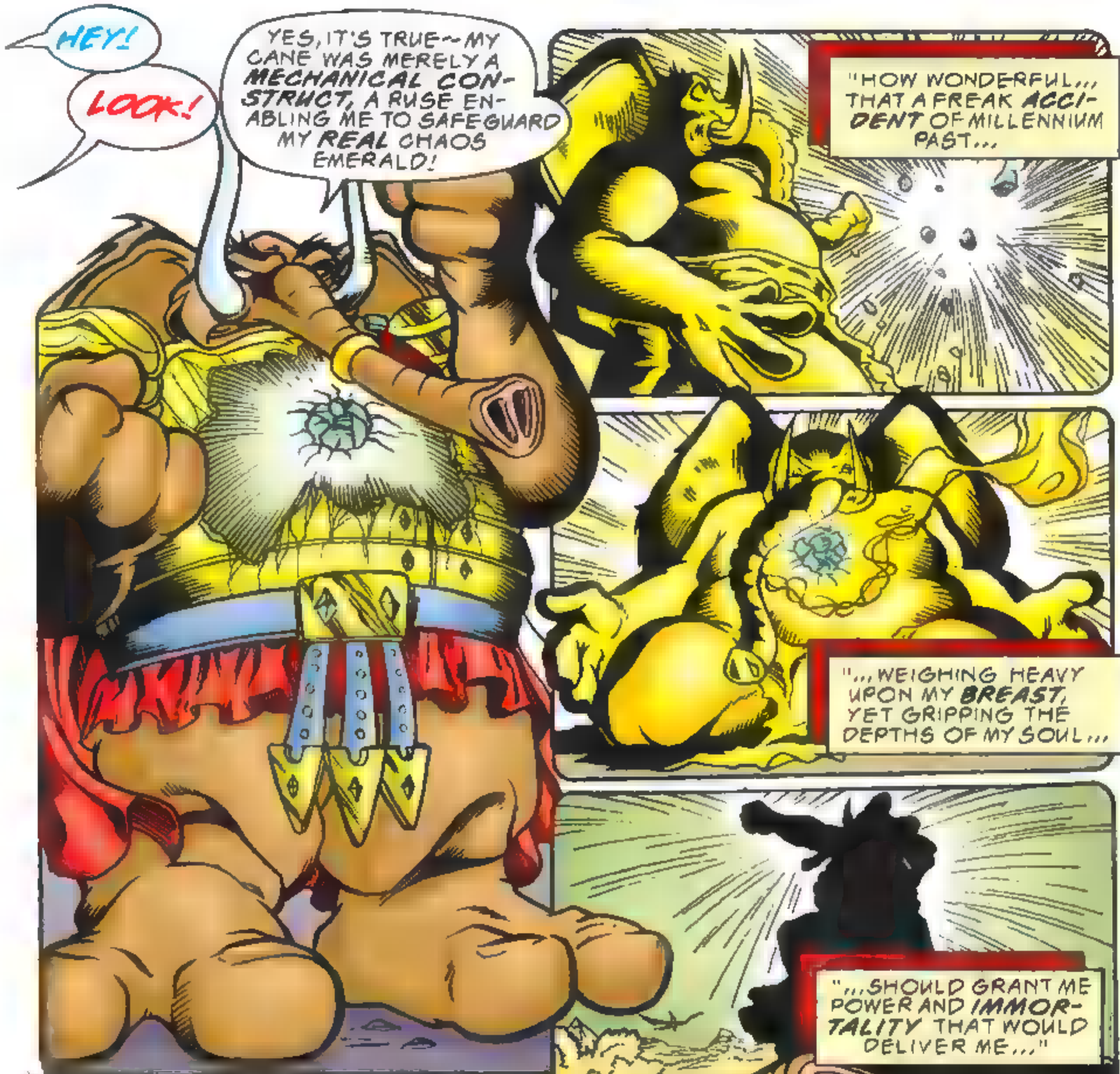
YOU'D BETTER
USE IT OR LOSE IT,
BUDDY!



KABOOM!

I THINK
HE'S GOING
TO LOSE
IT!

YEAH!



HEY!

LOOK!

YES, IT'S TRUE~MY
CANE WAS MERELY A
MECHANICAL CON-
STRUCT, A RUSE EN-
ABLING ME TO SAFEGUARD
MY **REAL CHAOS**
EMERALD!

"HOW WONDERFUL...
THAT A FREAK ACCI-
DENT OF MILLENNIUM
PAST..."

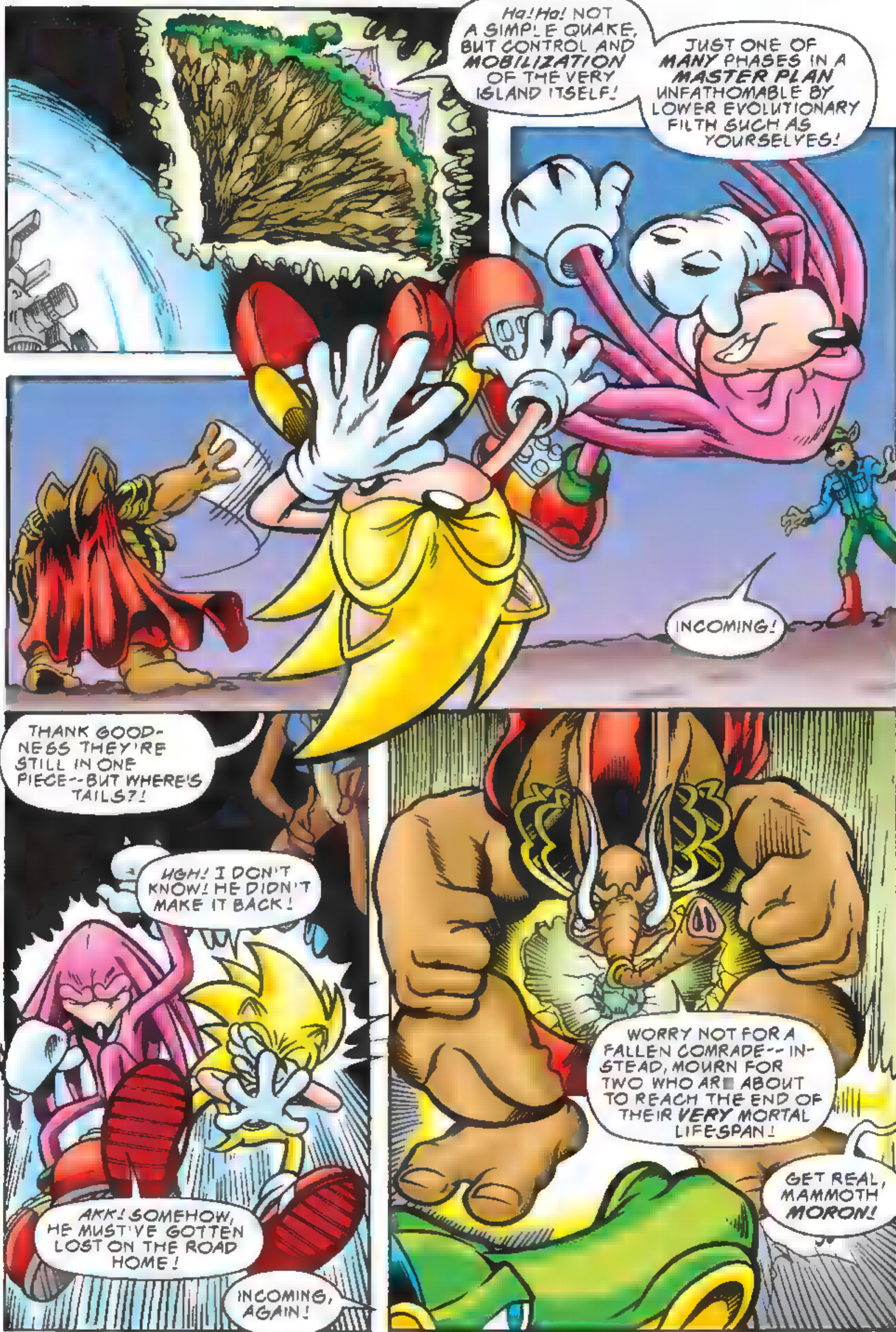
"...WEIGHING HEAVY
UPON MY **BREAST**,
YET GRIPPING THE
DEPTHS OF MY SOUL..."

"...SHOULD GRANT ME
POWER AND **IMMOR-**
TALITY THAT WOULD
DELIVER ME..."

"...UNTO THIS GLORIOUS
DAY WHERE **TWELVE CHAOTIC**
SIBLINGS PERFORM IN UNISON
TO CREATE..."

AN
EARTH-
QUAKE!

MAKE THAT
FLOATING
ISLAND
QUAKE!



Ha! Ha! NOT
A SIMPLE QUAKE,
BUT CONTROL AND
MOBILIZATION
OF THE VERY
ISLAND ITSELF!

JUST ONE OF
MANY PHASES IN A
MASTER PLAN
UNFATHOMABLE BY
LOWER EVOLUTIONARY
FILTH SUCH AS
YOURSELVES!

INCOMING!

THANK GOOD-
NESS THEY'RE
STILL IN ONE
PIECE--BUT WHERE'S
TAILS?!

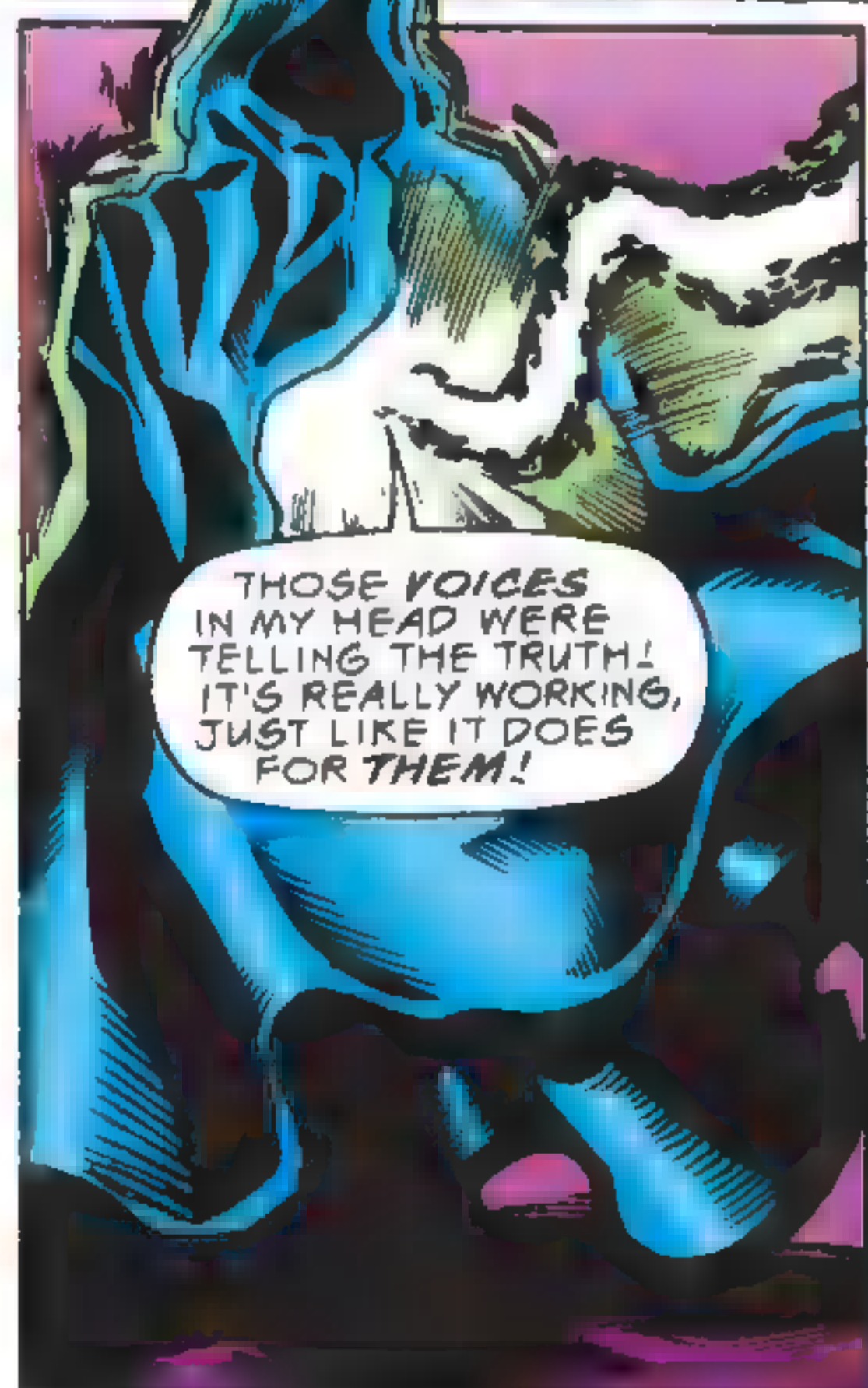
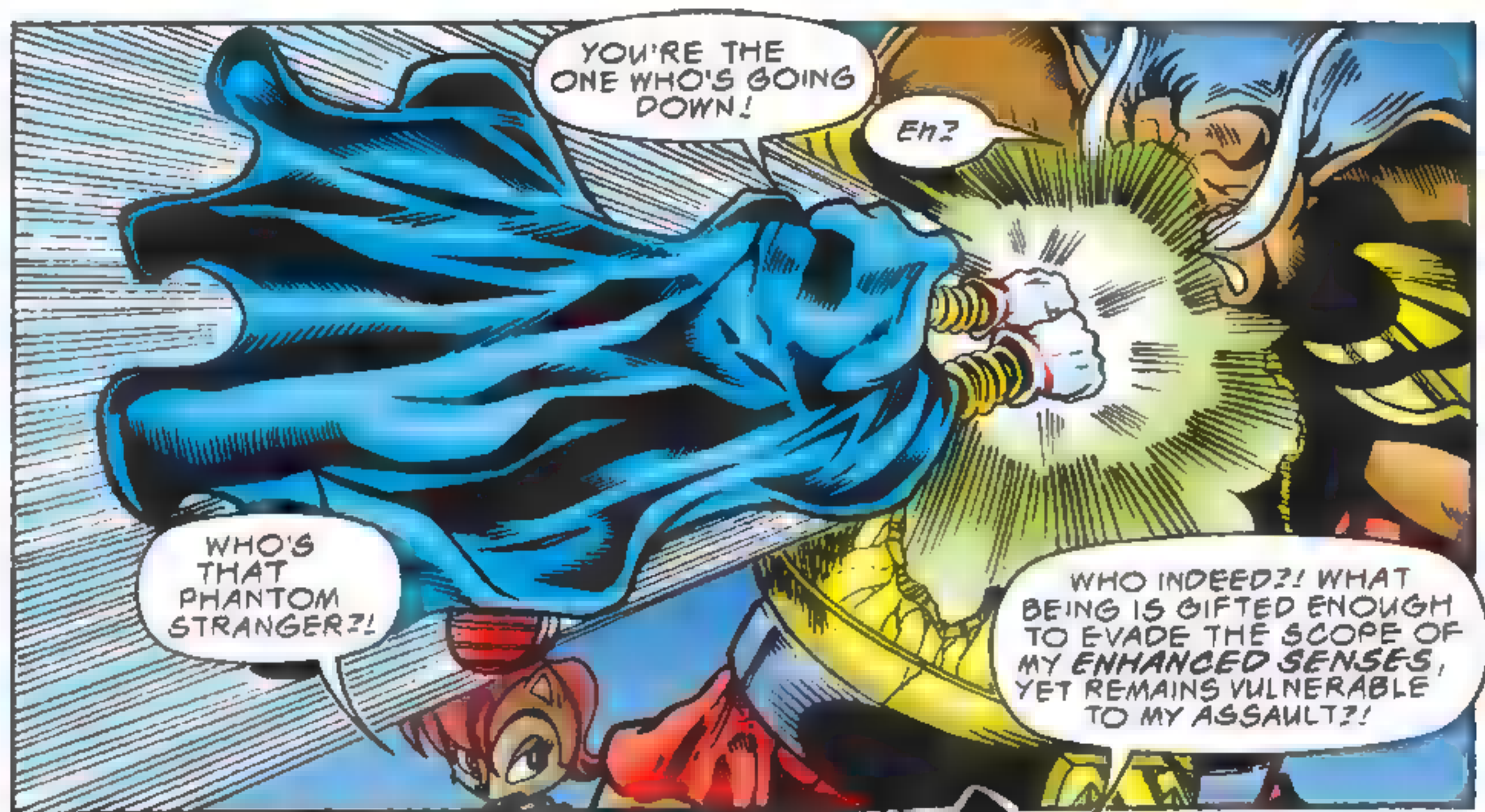
HGH! I DON'T
KNOW! HE DIDN'T
MAKE IT BACK!

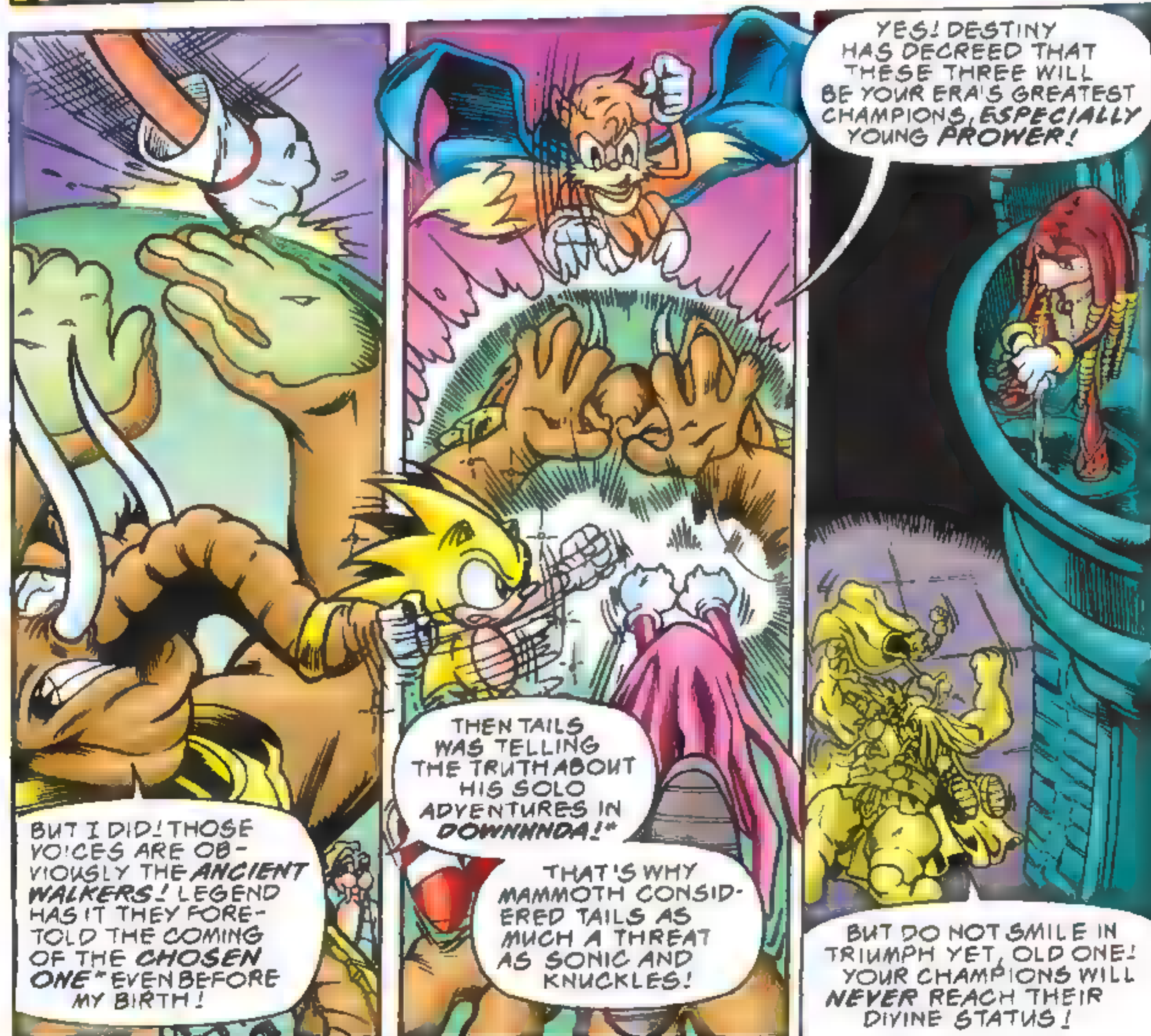
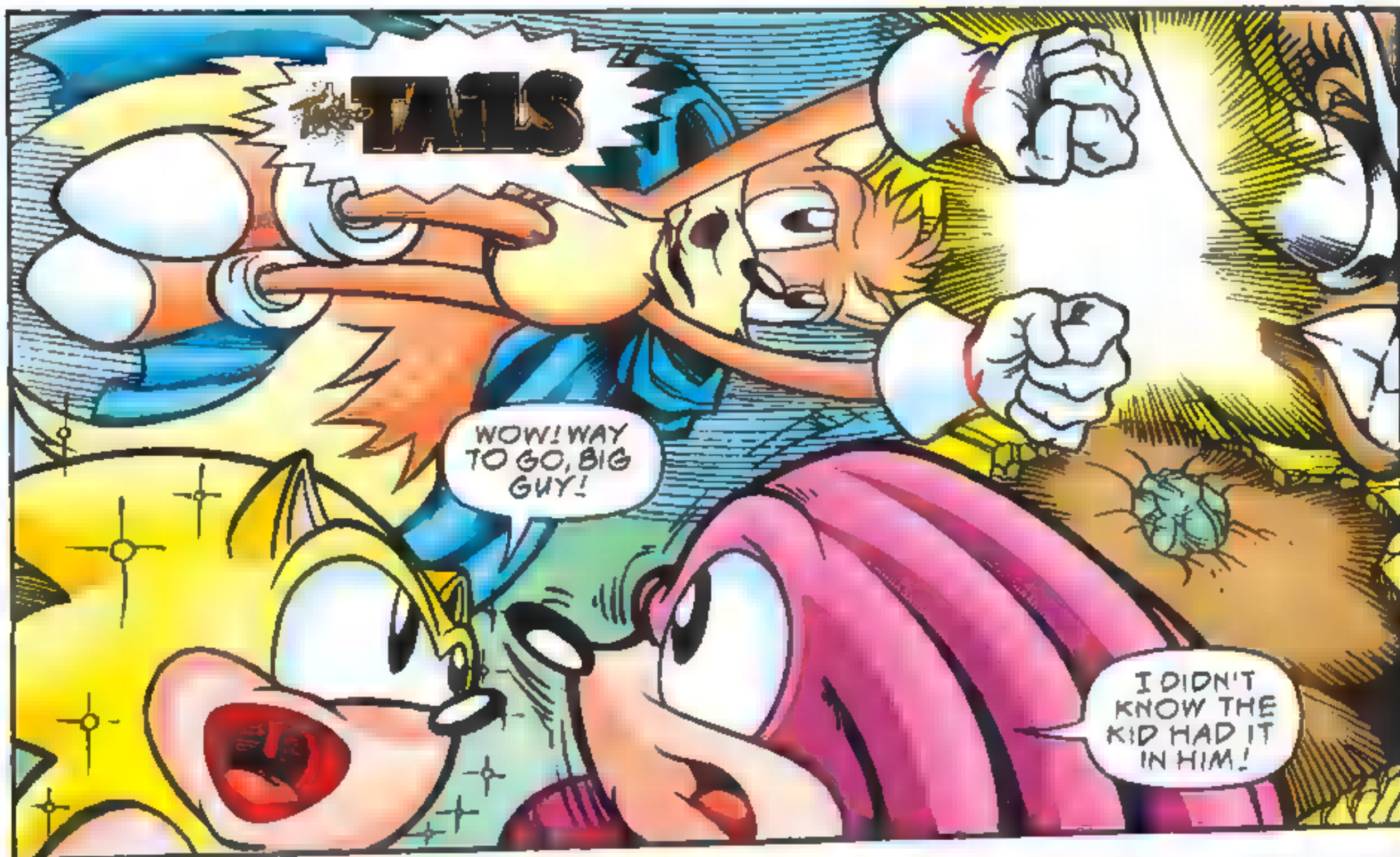
AKK! SOMEHOW,
HE MUST'VE GOTTEN
LOST ON THE ROAD
HOME!

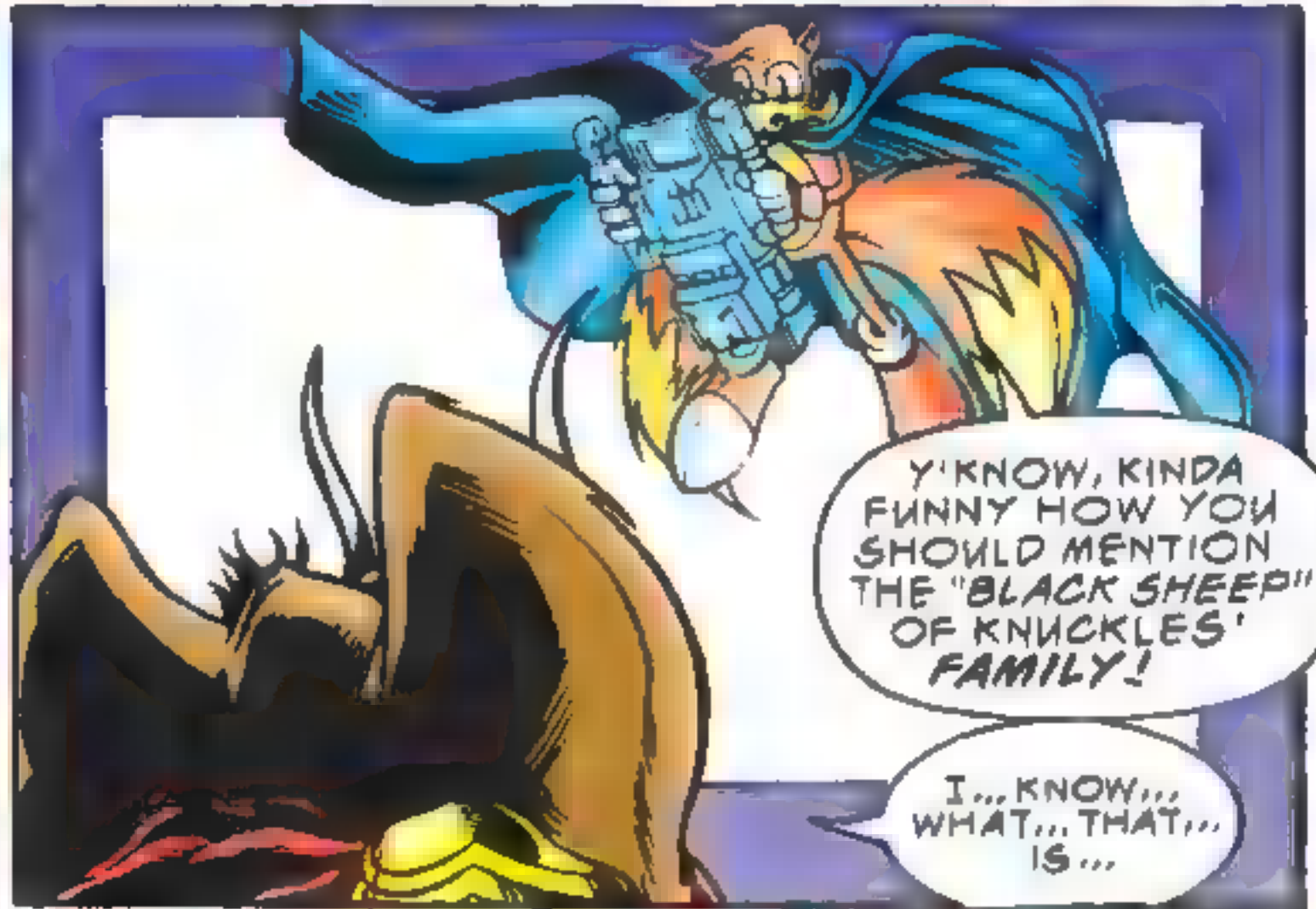
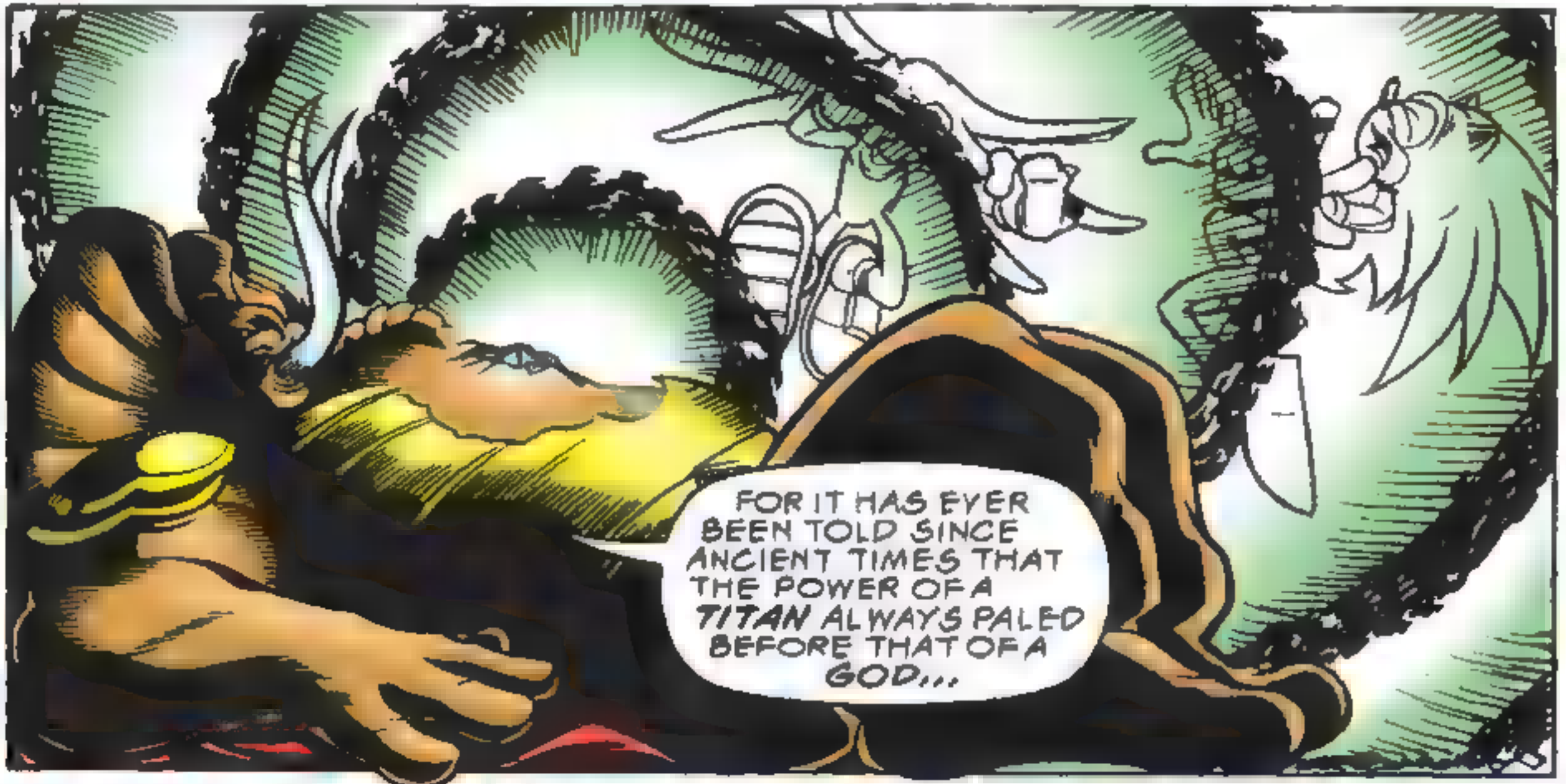
INCOMING,
AGAIN!

WORRY NOT FOR A
FALLEN COMRADE-- IN-
STEAD, MOURN FOR
TWO WHO ARE ABOUT
TO REACH THE END OF
THEIR VERY MORTAL
LIFESPAN!

GET REAL,
MAMMOTH
MORON!







* FIRST APPEARED
IN SONIC ARCHIVES
VOL. 9 -- EDITOR



NEVERTHELESS,
PUT NOT TOO MUCH
FAITH IN YOUR
"CHOSEN ONE"...
ANCIENT WALKERS!
AMBITIONS AND
POWER OF MY CALIBER
LEAVE NO ROOM FOR
FAILURE!


STILL,
CONCENTRATING
ALL YOUR POWER
IN ONE DIRECTION
DID FREE US!

GUESS HE WAS
TOO "AMBITIOUS" TO
THINK OF MINOR
THINGS!

YOU GIVE
HIM TOO MUCH
CREDIT--FOR
THINKING
THAT IS!

I'M AFRAID STRATEGY
AND NUMBERS WON'T WIN
THE DAY, FOR THE MOMENT,
THE ONLY ADVANTAGE THEY
HAVE IS TAILS AND THAT...
THAT POWER SYPHON!

DO I DETECT
A NOTE OF ANGER
IN YOUR VOICE,
MY SON?




WHETHER IT'S
THE PLAN OF ATHAIR
OR THE ANCIENT
WALKERS, I APPLAUD
ITS LOGIC...

...BUT YOU'RE
THE ONE USED TO
WORKING COVERTLY,
LEAVING YOUR
INTERVENTION A
MYSTERY!

SORT OF
UNSETTLING
WHEN SOME-
ONE ELSE
DOES IT TO
YOU, EH?

PERHAPS, BUT
THEY ALWAYS
MOVED IN
DIFFERENT "COSMIC"
CIRCLES. MY REAL
CONCERN IS THAT
WITH A CRISIS OF
SUCH MAGNITUDE...



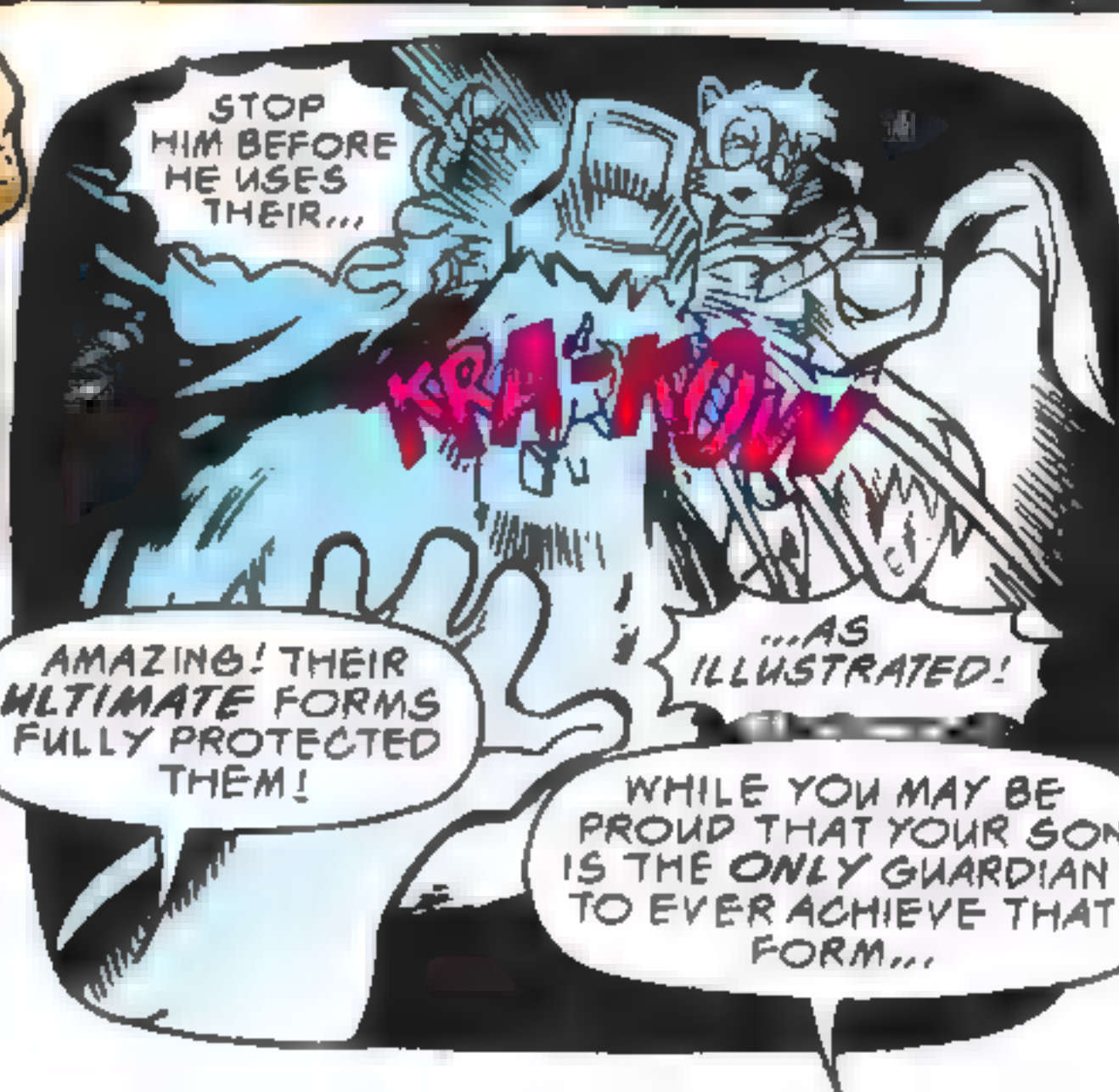
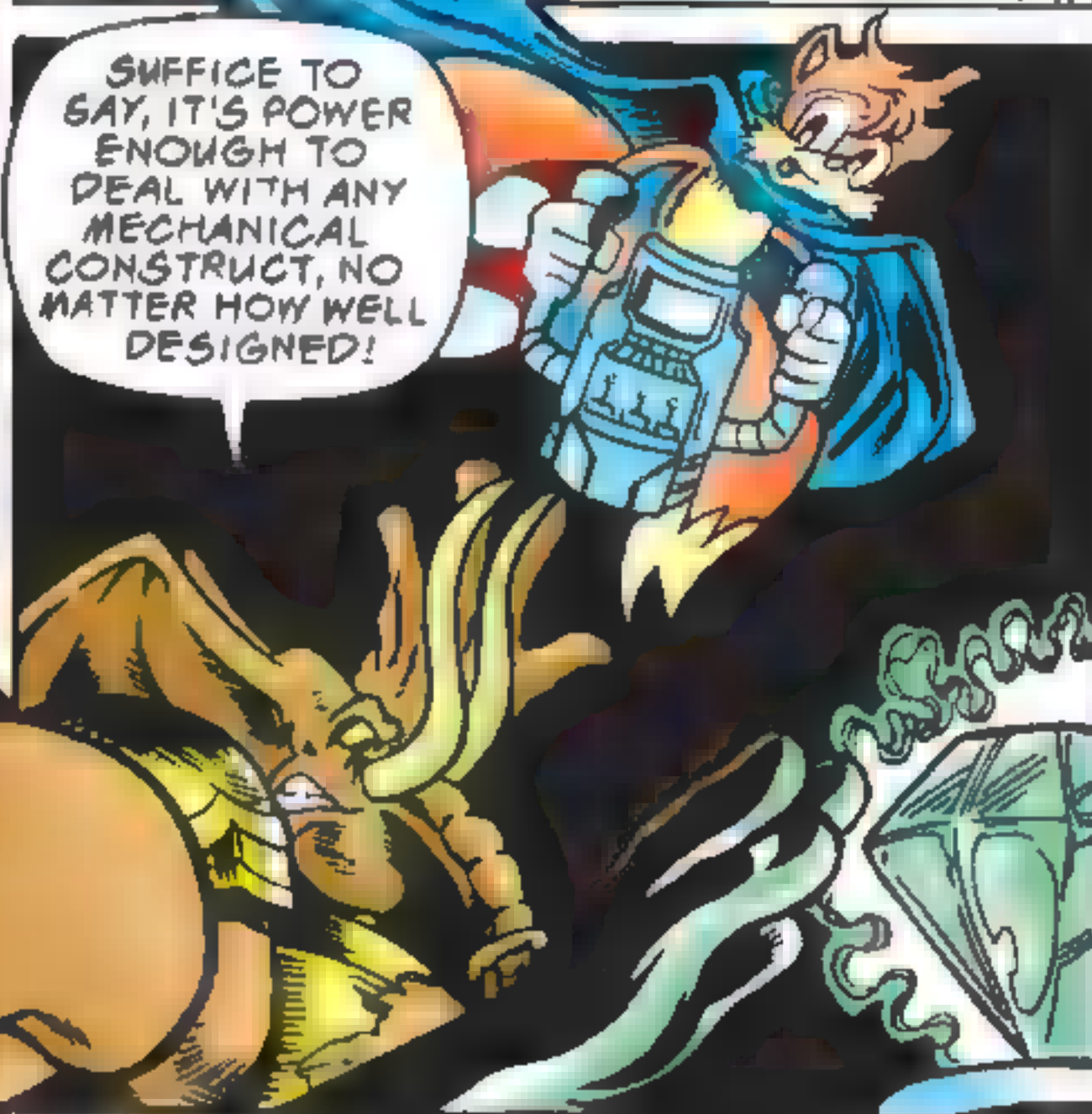
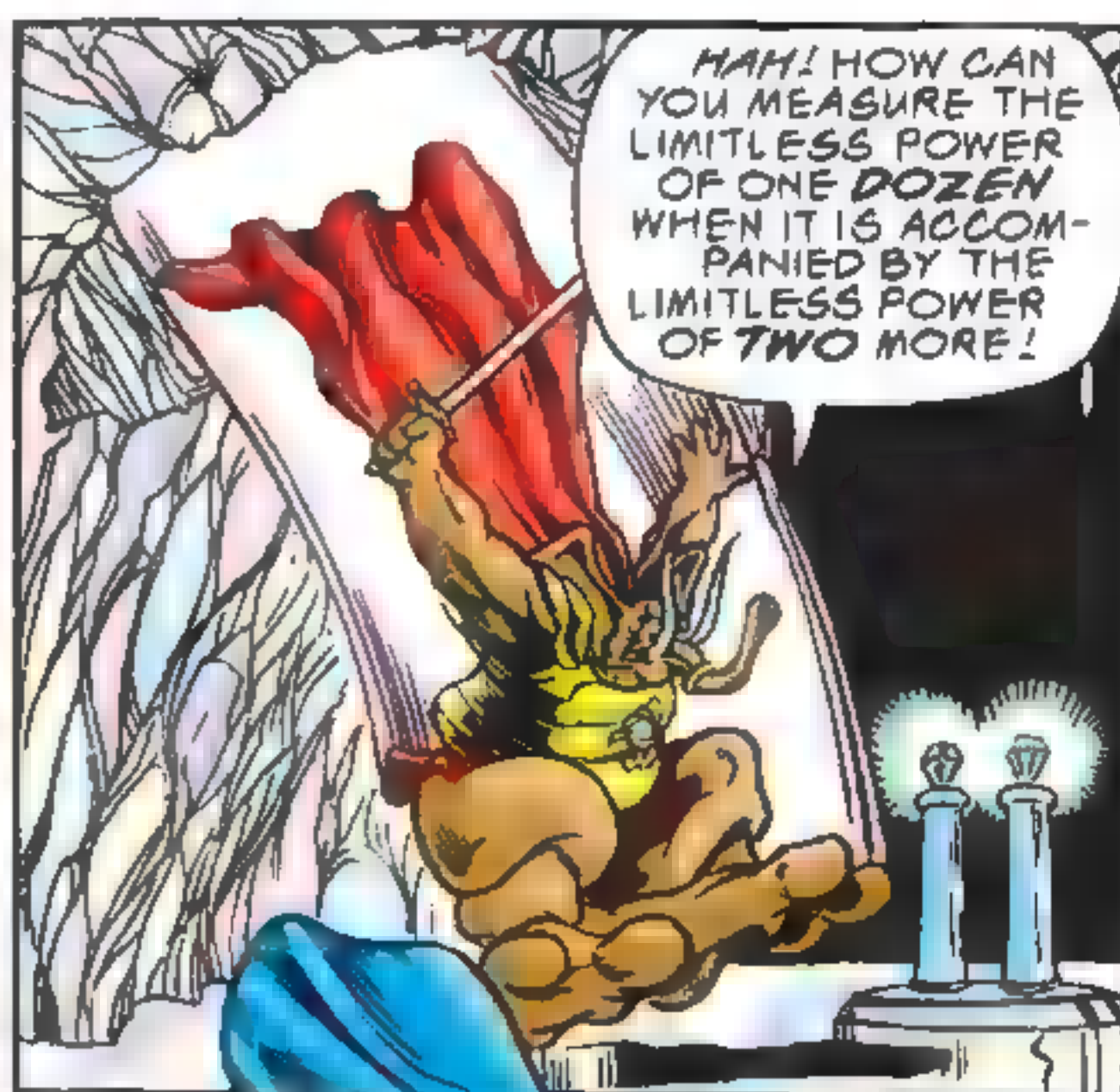
"...WHEN DO
WE MAKE
OUR MOVE?"

ARRGH! I WILL
COMPENSATE FOR
YOUR INTERFERENCE,
ANCIENT WALKERS!
CHAOTIC ENERGIES
CAN ACT AS A HOMING
BEACON...

...AND "LIKE"
POWERS WILL
SEEK THEIR
BRETHREN!

WHAT'S
HE MEAN?
WHAT'S HE
DOING?

KATHOOTIE!

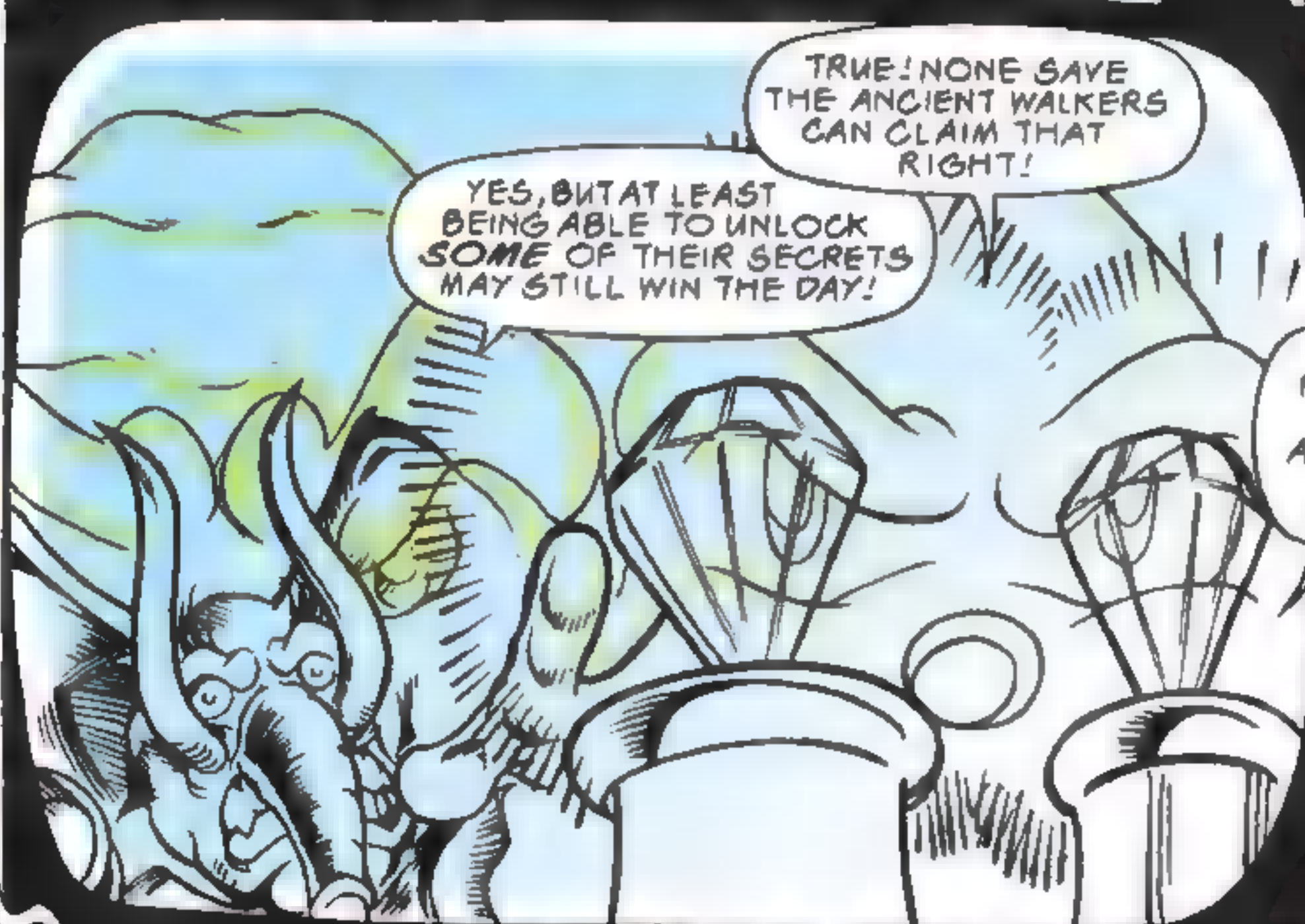




I KNOW, IT
STILL PALES BEFORE
TOTAL MASTERY
OF AN EMERALD'S
ENERGIES!



THAT IS SOMETHING
THAT NOT EVEN MAMMOTH
CAN CLAIM THIS DAY, NOR
DIMITRI BEFORE HIM!



TRUE! NONE SAVE
THE ANCIENT WALKERS
CAN CLAIM THAT
RIGHT!

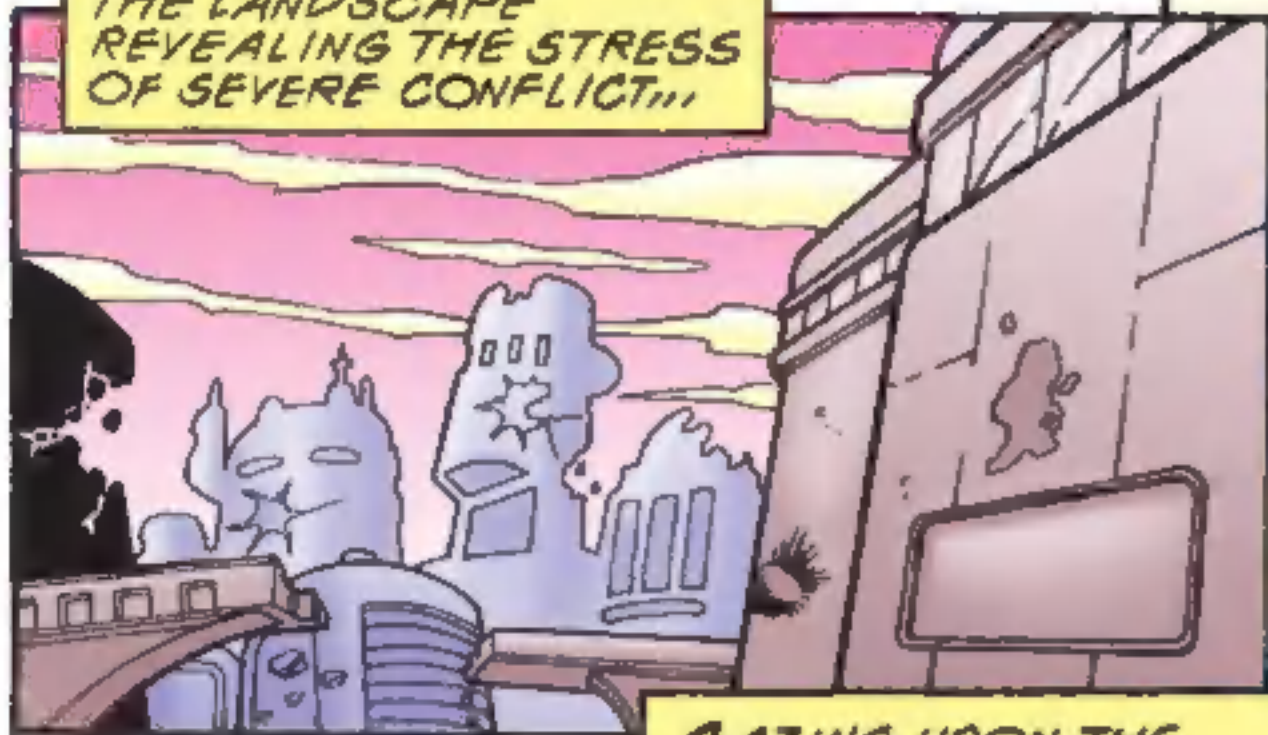
YES, BUT AT LEAST
BEING ABLE TO UNLOCK
SOME OF THEIR SECRETS
MAY STILL WIN THE DAY!

I GET YOUR
POINT. HEREIN
LIES THE
ANSWER TO MY
PREVIOUS
QUESTION...

FOR THE GOOD
OF OUR PEOPLE, WE
ACT NOW! AND MAY
THE LIKES OF DIMITRI,
MOGUL OR ANY TYRANT
NEVER SUBJUGATE
OUR HOME WORLD
AGAIN!



DAWN SETTLES OVER
ECHIDNAOPOLIS WITH
THE LANDSCAPE
REVEALING THE STRESS
OF SEVERE CONFLICT...



GAZING UPON THE
BATTLE RAVAGED
EDIFICES, IT'S HARD
TO BELIEVE THAT
ANYBODY COULD CALL
THIS DAY VICTORIOUS.

BUT NEVERTHELESS, A
VICTORY OF SORTS HAS
BEEN ACHIEVED...



WE STILL DON'T
EVEN KNOW WHAT
CAUSED THAT
CHAOTIC EXPLOSION,
BUT AT LEAST OUR
SHPER FORMS SAVED
OUR HIDES!

AND YOU BELIEVE
THAT, COMBINED
WITH THE MYSTERIOUS
DISTRESS CALL TO
YOUR FRIENDS* TRANSLATES TO OUTSIDE
INTERFERENCE?

SOUNDS
LOGICAL
TO ME!

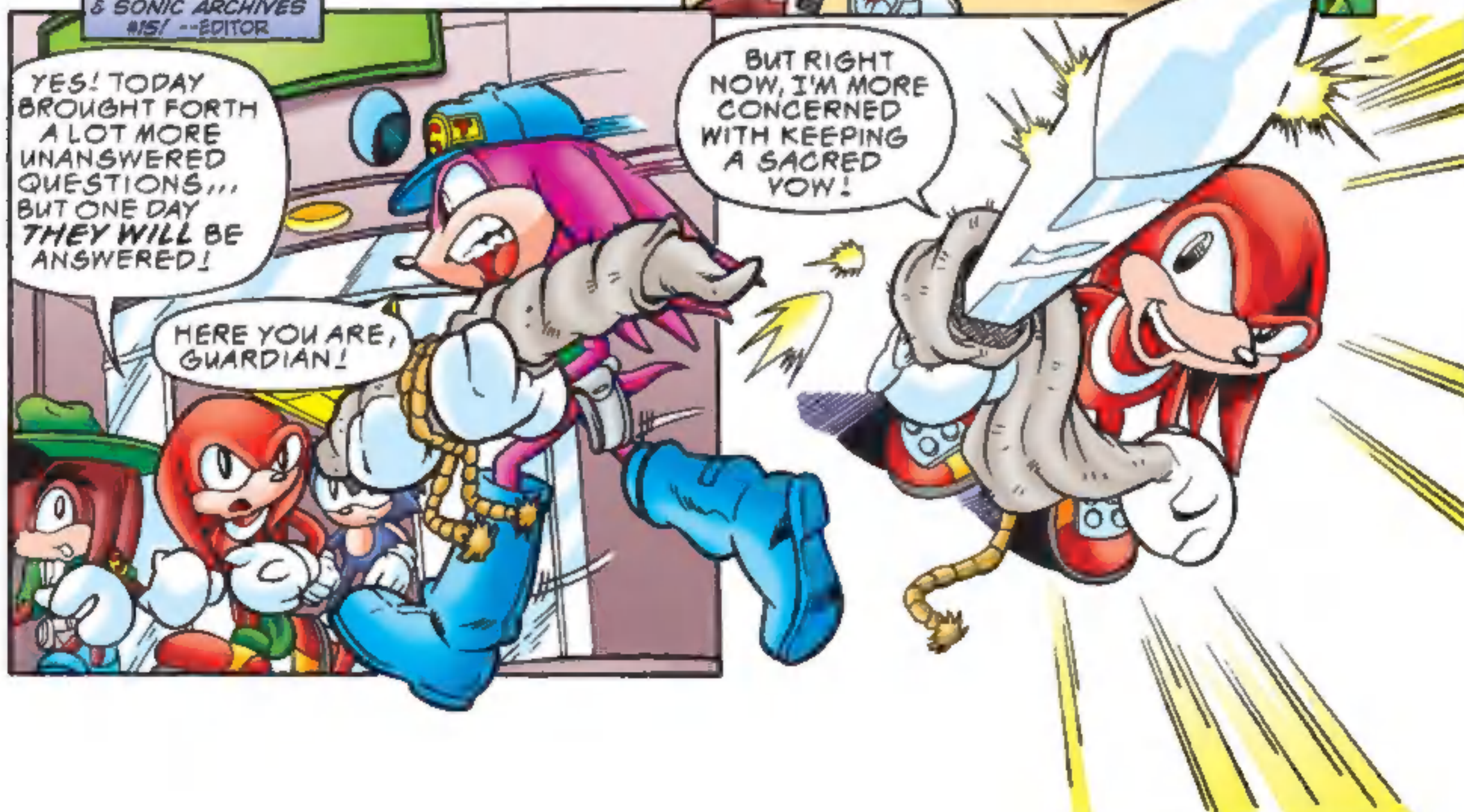
SAYS YOU!
I THINK THE
EXPLOSION
CHANGED US
BACK, BUT
SOMETHING
OTHER THAN
OUR **HYPER**
FORMS SAVED
OUR BUTTS!

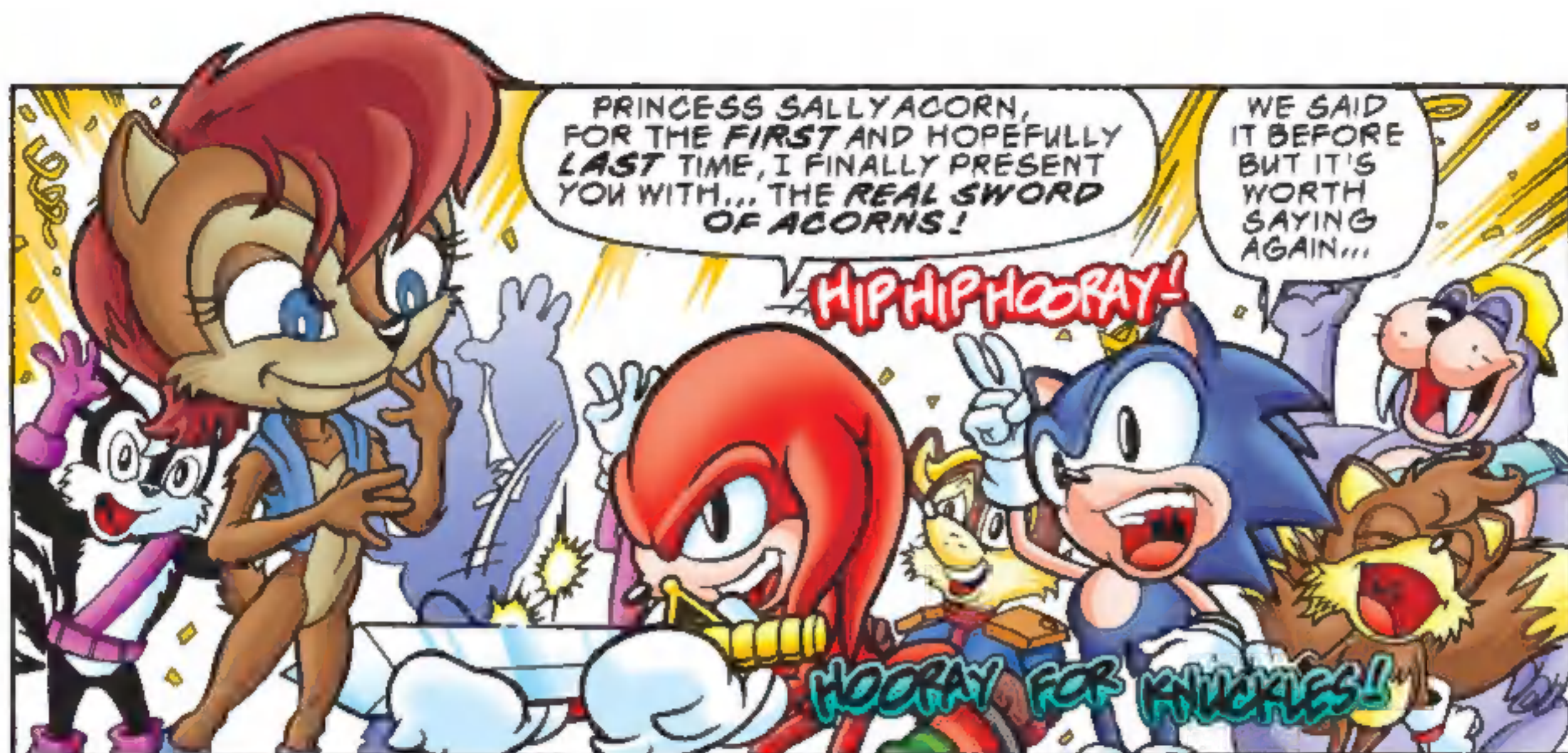
KNUX ARCHIVES #2
& SONIC ARCHIVES
#15! --EDITOR

YES! TODAY
BROUGHT FORTH
A LOT MORE
UNANSWERED
QUESTIONS...
BUT ONE DAY
THEY WILL BE
ANSWERED!

HERE YOU ARE,
GUARDIAN!

BUT RIGHT
NOW, I'M MORE
CONCERNED
WITH KEEPING
A SACRED
VOW!





PRINCESS SALLY ACORN,
FOR THE FIRST AND HOPEFULLY
LAST TIME, I FINALLY PRESENT
YOU WITH... THE REAL SWORD
OF ACORNS!

WE SAID
IT BEFORE
BUT IT'S
WORTH
SAYING
AGAIN...

HIP HIP HOORAY!

HOORAY FOR AMY!



LATER THAT DAY TWO KINDRED
SPIRITS WHO HAVE BEEN BOTH ENEMIES
AND UNEASY ALLIES FINALLY RECONCILE
THEIR DIFFERENCES...

THANKS FOR THE OVERNIGHT
HOSPITALITY! WE'VE CERTAINLY
COME A WAY SINCE THE DAYS OF
BEATING ON EACH OTHER!

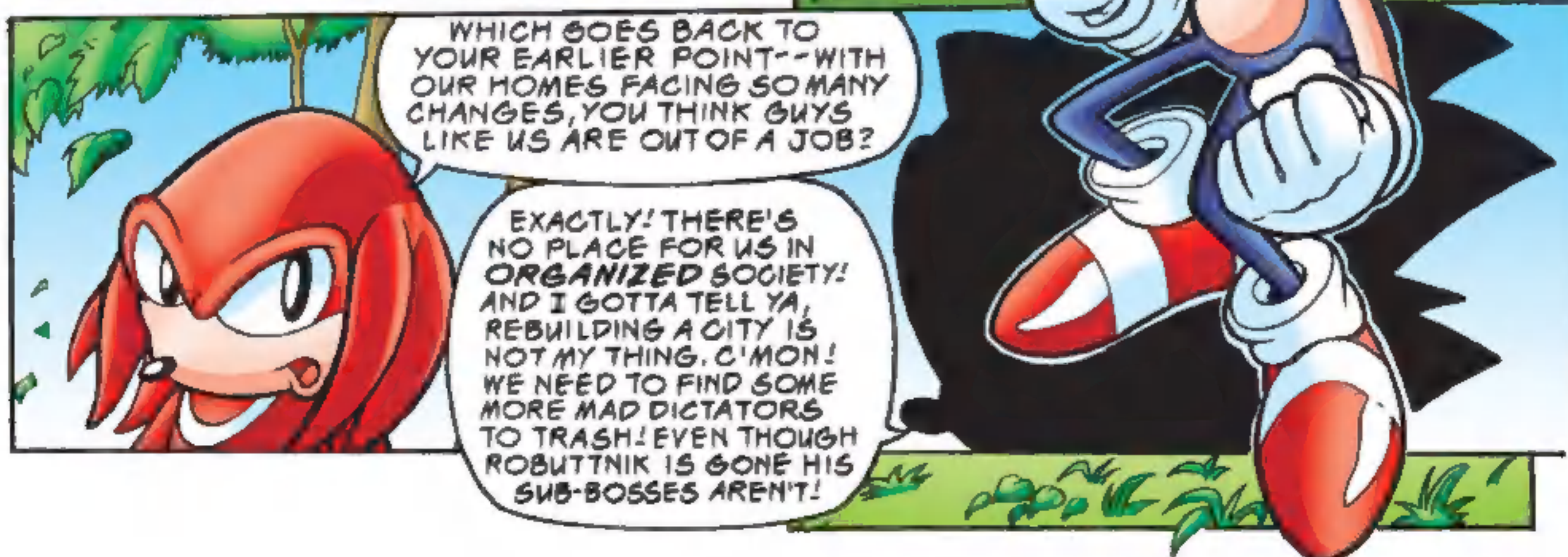
Hah! WASN'T THAT LONG AGO!
WE SHOULD ALWAYS HAVE BEEN
ON THE SAME SIDE--

--WE WERE JUST
TOO HEADSTRONG
TO KNOW IT!



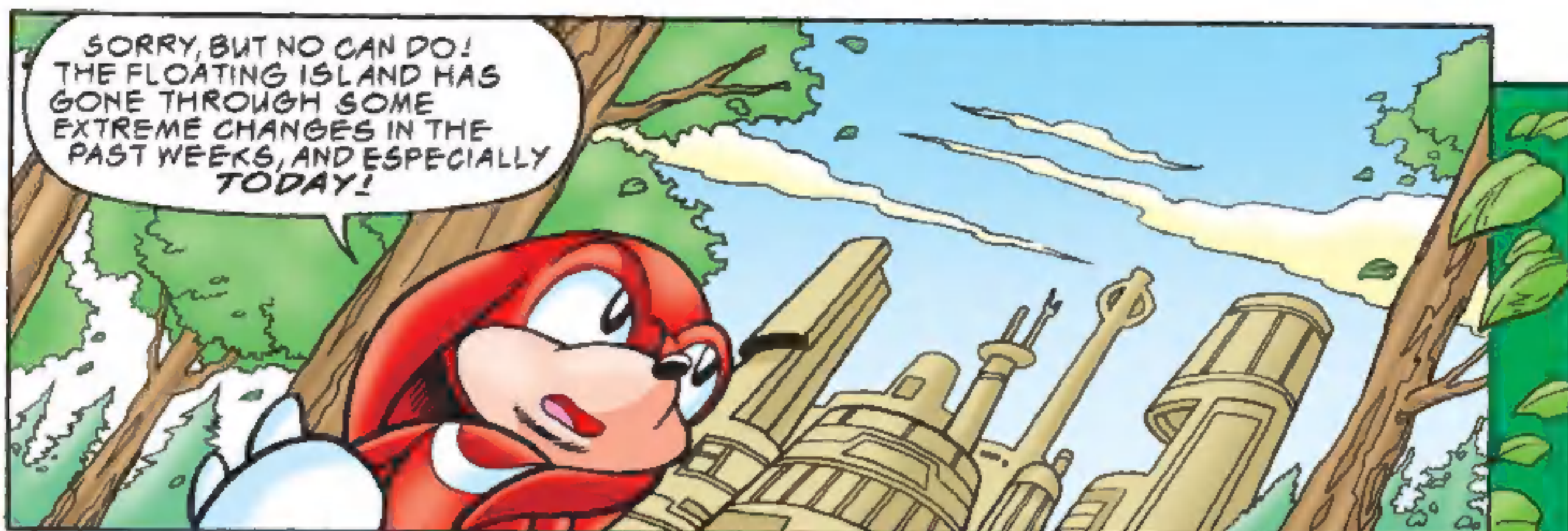
YUP. WE'RE A LOT
ALIKE-- WE BOTH
LIKE TO CHAMPION A
CAUSE, PROTECT INNOCENTS
AND FIGHT THE GOOD
FIGHT!

AND DON'T
FORGET THE
ACTION AND
THRILL OF
BEING ON THE
EDGE! IT'S
WHAT WE LIVE
FOR!

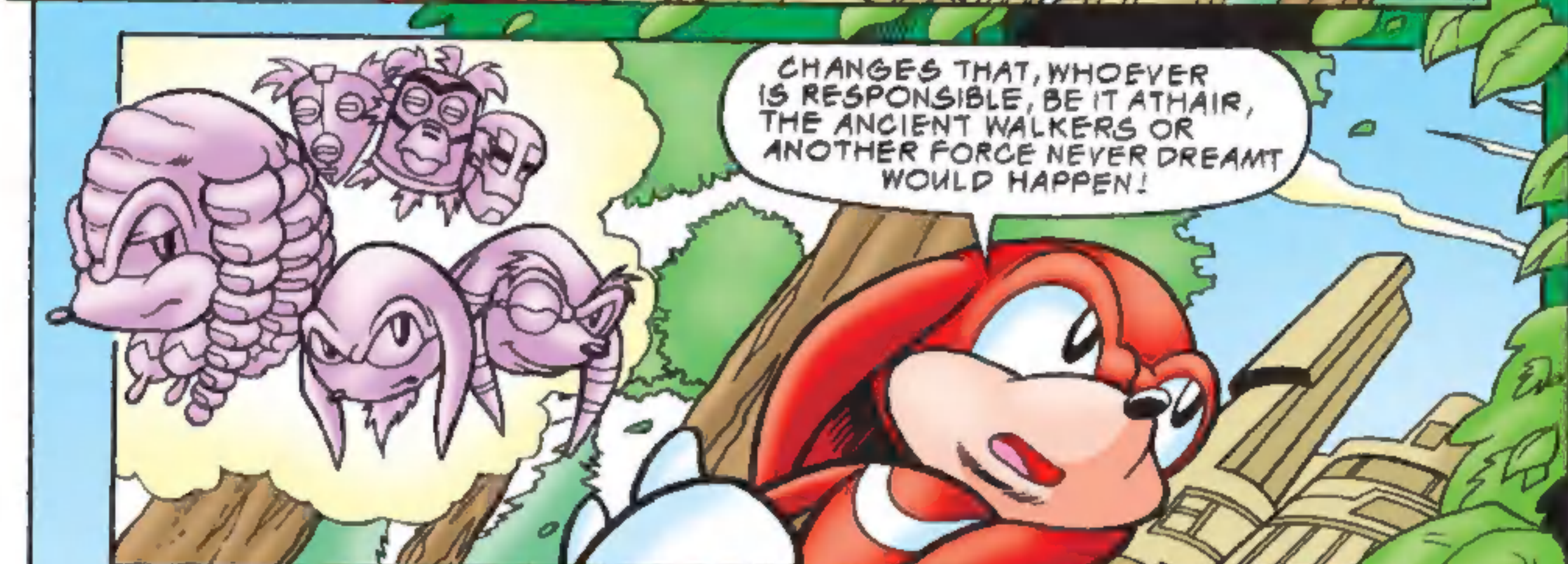


WHICH GOES BACK TO
YOUR EARLIER POINT-- WITH
OUR HOMES FACING SO MANY
CHANGES, YOU THINK GUYS
LIKE US ARE OUT OF A JOB?

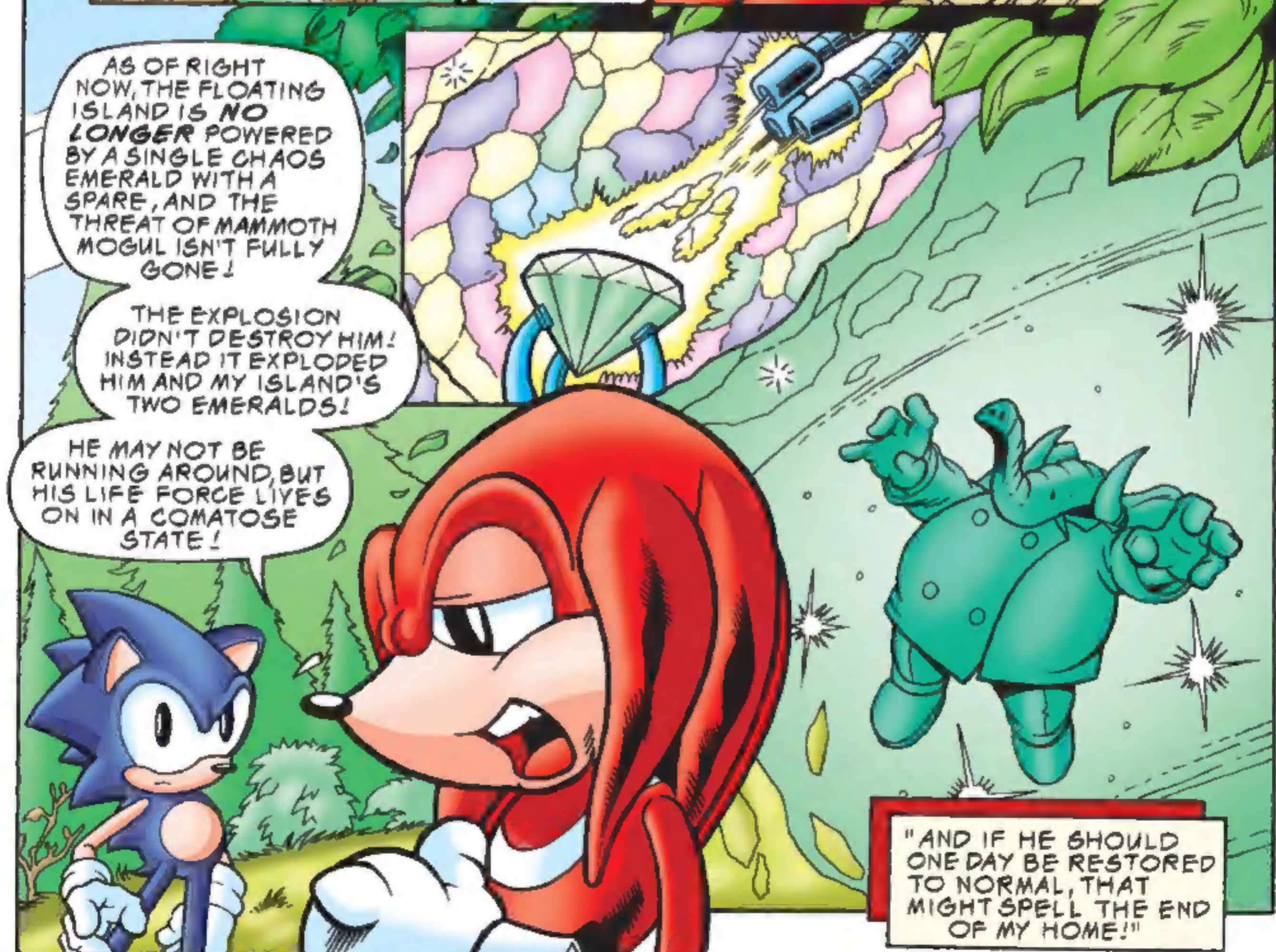
EXACTLY! THERE'S
NO PLACE FOR US IN
ORGANIZED SOCIETY!
AND I GOTTA TELL YA,
REBUILDING A CITY IS
NOT MY THING. C'MON!
WE NEED TO FIND SOME
MORE MAD DICTATORS
TO TRASH! EVEN THOUGH
ROBUTNIK IS GONE HIS
SUB-BOSSSES AREN'T!



SORRY, BUT NO CAN DO!
THE FLOATING ISLAND HAS
GONE THROUGH SOME
EXTREME CHANGES IN THE
PAST WEEKS, AND ESPECIALLY
TODAY!



CHANGES THAT, WHOEVER
IS RESPONSIBLE, BE IT ATHAIR,
THE ANCIENT WALKERS OR
ANOTHER FORCE NEVER DREAMT
WOULD HAPPEN!




AS OF RIGHT
NOW, THE FLOATING
ISLAND IS **NO
LONGER** POWERED
BY A SINGLE CHAOS
EMERALD WITH A
SPARE, AND THE
THREAT OF MAMMOTH
MOGUL ISN'T FULLY
GONE!

THE EXPLOSION
DIDN'T DESTROY HIM!
INSTEAD IT EXPLODED
HIM AND MY ISLAND'S
TWO EMERALDS!

HE MAY NOT BE
RUNNING AROUND, BUT
HIS LIFE FORCE LIVES
ON IN A COMATOSE
STATE!

"AND IF HE SHOULD
ONE DAY BE RESTORED
TO NORMAL, THAT
MIGHT SPELL THE END
OF MY HOME!"



"THAT'S 'CAUSE THE FLOATING ISLAND IS NOW POWERED BY ONE GIANT CHAOS EMERALD A LIVING CHAOS EMERALD..."

"A POWER BATTERY MADE UP OF **FOURTEEN EMERALDS** WITH MAMMOTH MOGUL'S LIFE ESSENCE AT THE VERY CENTER!"


"RIGHT NOW, ONE OF OUR MOST FEARED ENEMIES IS RESPONSIBLE FOR MAINTAINING MY HOME WORLD BY KEEPING THIS ISLAND AFLOAT!"

"FOR BETTER OR WORSE, MY PLACE IS HERE!"



WHAT'S UP, SONIC? DON'T TELL ME YOU HAD ANOTHER FIGHT WITH KNUCKLES?


NOPE, JUST BUSY WITH SOMETHING I USUALLY DON'T DO -- A LOT OF THINKING!



SO, YOU REALLY ARE THE "CHOSEN ONE", DESTINED TO BE A HERO GREATER THAN KNUCKLES AND ME?!

I SHOULD BE JEALOUS! BUT Y'KNOW I'M REALLY PROUD OF YOU!

THANKS! I GUESS I HAVE A LOT TO THINK ABOUT MYSELF, BUT RIGHT NOW I JUST MISS MY **TURBO POWER!**



I THINK LIKE ME, YOU JUST REALLY MISS THE CHANCE TO HELP THE "LITTLE GUY"! KNUX MAY HAVE DECLINED, BUT HOW ABOUT YOU, **BIG GUY?** UP FOR SOME REAL ADVENTURES AS YOU GROW INTO YOUR MANTLE OF SAVIOR?

HOW ABOUT YOU?! UP FOR SOME SOLO ADVENTURES OF YOUR FAVORITE DUO? CHECK OUT THE NEXT ISSUE AS SONIC AND TAILS HIT THE ROAD TO ADVENTURE!